

KING OF BELGIANS LEOPOLD II, MAY NOW BE ON HIS DEATH BED

resignation. No matter how long he may be absent, he never writes a letter to his wife. One of his principal
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Although now on the wrong side of forty, she is very fascinating and bright without being a blue-stocking. She dresses with taste, takes good care of her person, and when crowned feels bidden to make her appearance. She began in a New York specialist's office to treat her face. Since the King's

POPULAR OBJECTIONS TO SCIENTIFIC THEORY OF EVOLUTION

Science Does Not Point to the Monkey as Ancestor of Man.

Trusting in Time, Light, Growth and God, It Faces Future With Hope.

Last night at the Parlor Lecture Club hall, Rev. J. A. Cruzan gave the last lecture in the series on evolution, taking for his subject, "Evolution and Religion." He prefaced it with a prelude on "Popular Objections to Evolution." The speaker said there are various objections to the theory of evolution, which it may be advisable to give brief mention, and among those most often urged he considered the following:

1.—"Evolution is an unproven theory, and many leading scientists utterly reject it." Evolution is "unproven" only in the sense that it cannot be demonstrated like a problem in mathematics. Joseph Le Conte says: "We regard the law of evolution as thoroughly established. It is not only as certain as the fact of gravitation, for it is not a contingent but a necessary truth, like the axioms of geometry." There is not a "leading scientist" today who "utterly rejects" evolution. Alfred Russel Wallace states the fact: "Evolution is now universally accepted as a demonstrated principle, and not one single writer of the slightest eminence that I am aware of declares his disbelief in it." Professor Metcalf, in the latest and best book on "Organic Evolution" says: "Scientists are no longer questioning the fact of evolution."

2.—"Evolution cannot account for matter, nor for the origin of life." Certainly not. What is evolution? Henry Drummond answers: "Evolution is simply a history, a general name for the steps by which the world has come to be what it is." Evolution is the history of a process, not the explanation of a cause. You do not demand of Grimm that he account for the origin of the universe, or you will not believe his history; all you ask in that case is a "truthful account of the unfolding life of that people. The work of evolution is the same—to give a truthful account of the unfolding progress and life of the universe. That evolution does it is not its province to account for matter, but to show how out of matter this earth grew until it was fitted to maintain life. It is not the province of evolution to account for life, but to tell the story of how from the original germ cell grew all the various forms of life now

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4.—"Evolution degrades man, by pointing to the monkey as his ancestor." Evolution does no such "pointing." It is only the man who is ignorant of what evolution teaches who makes such a statement. Man and the monkey diverged from the tree of life very near together. Like two branches of an ordinary tree, and like those branches grew farther and farther apart, the one toward humanity and the other toward simianity. Evolution does teach that man came by processes of growth from the lower forms of animal life. Does that degrade man? Is it not more wonderful and honorable to think that your body came to its present perfection by the marvelous pathway of lower animal life than that it came straight from the almighty and the most of the celestial realm? Which is the more honorable material, mysterious, complex life, or dirt? Evolution degrades man! Says Drummond: "It crowns and honors him. To be a man, and to have no conceivable successor; to be the fruit and crown of the long past eons, and the highest possible fruit and crown; to be the best that nature in her strength and obedience can produce; to be the first of that new order of beings, who by their dominance over the lower world are the object of admiration for all that dwell there; to be made in the image of God—to be this is to be elevated to a rank in nature more exalted than any poetry, philosophy, or theology have ever given to man."

5.—"Evolution is atheistic." No. There are a few materialistic evolutionists who believe God out of his universe, but the great mass of scientists are theistic evolutionists. Ernest Haeckel is the only prominent materialistic evolutionist. Nearly all the others agree with the saying of Clerk Maxwell, "That all the theories of evolution need a God to make them workable."

6.—"Evolution cannot account for Jesus." Yes it can. Jesus was the greatest religious genius the race has produced. He sprang from the Jews, who had a genius for religion. As no other man ever did he held the Godward window of his soul open, and the divine spirit flooded his being. "But how did he come to be so far ahead of his time and of ours?" In art Michael Angelo was far ahead of his time and of ours; in literature Shakespeare was far ahead of his time; in oratory Demosthenes was far ahead of his time. With all our boasted advancement these great geniuses are far ahead of our time. Is it any marvel that Jesus, the greatest religious genius of the race, should be far ahead of his and our time? "But if Jesus is the product of evolution why has there never been another man like him?" There will be; give the mighty moral forces with which God has filled the world time, and the whole race will one day reach the Jesus standard. At least so "John" declares: "Now are we the sons of God; we know that when he shall appear we shall be like him." And that declares that the divine spirit comes to the stature of the fullness of Christ, and that they shall be filled to all the fullness of God. "But Jesus was divine." So are all men. The difference is one of degree. "The divinity in man," says Lyman Abbott, "is not different in kind from the divinity of God." God is living in man now and always unfolding and revealing himself in the growing and expanding life of this wonderful race of ours. Some day all men will reach the perfect manhood of Jesus.

7.—"Evolution does not account for the fact that the whole creation is groaning under the fall of man." Here is the crux of orthodox opposition to evolution. Orthodox theology is built on the fall of man; evolution proves that there never was any fall, but an age-long ascent of man. If evolution is true orthodox theology is not true. The "groaning" is because of the fierce fight in every soul between the higher and the lower nature, between the man and the animal. The wolf, the tiger, the hog, the serpent in every man are not dead. With their teeth they rend, with their fangs they poison. But the spirit voices the animal wants. The dove is mightier than the tiger. We look down the terrible blood-stained, tear-swept way man has come; it has been a way of victory. The reptile and the quadruped have steadily given way to brain and heart. We face the future with hope. We trust in time, light, growth, God. Some day man's victory will be complete. Then Tennyson's "crowning race" will have come: "No longer half alit to brute; For all we thought and loved and did, And hoped and suffered, is but seed Of what in them is flower and fruit."

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There have been such revivals, and they constitute the turning points of human history for the better, when Savonarola denounced the sins and worldly vices of Florence under the corrupt rulers, then it came to such a pass that the people rose to early service at three o'clock in the morning, and brought all their vanities of dress, and implements of wickedness together in the market place and made a bonfire of their shameful belongings. That a bonfire of wickedness could have all the implements of gambling, drinking, cheating, harlotry, business and murder of the unborn innocents could be heaped together in the court-house square and burned!

The above words were given utterance to yesterday in a sermon appeal for a mighty revival of honesty and amenability of the individual to the Golden Rule as the corporations are asked to be in their transactions with the public.

"The Haunted House" was the subject of the sermon delivered at the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. A. P. Brown. His text was Rom. 2: 15. Our lives, said he, are haunted by innate and dreads of doing wrong. God's spirit is haunting humanity to lure us from our sins. The Bible gives striking instances of this pursuing dread.

Adam and Eve hiding from the God whom formerly they loved to meet, nothing used to make their shame when a woman of madrigal confession, Cain stamped with the brand of murderer when guilt drove him from home, Pharaoh terrified at the plagues and ready to let God's people go for a little while. Joseph's brethren recalling their sins and ready to give up when they themselves were in prison in Egypt, David penitent and smitten as he recalled his base treatment of Uriah, Herod, horror-stricken as he heard of Jesus' miracles, saying that John the Baptist, whom he had murdered, had risen from the dead.

ACCUSING CONSCIENCES. Nor do we lack examples of the power of an accusing conscience, when hoodlums returned to St. Louis to confess their crimes, when an English murderer returned to confess his crime and find a grim relief from the pangs of conscience in going to the gallows to expiate his crime, when a Prof. Weber, famous he had an accusing voice, calling from the next cell at midnight, "You art a murderer!" but the cell was empty; and he had only confessed to the haunting of his own conscience.

Even heathen nations show the evidence of conscience at work, driving them to sacrifice their lives, their children to atone for the awful sins whose accusing guilt haunts their lives. In Euripides we find this prayer, "Thou God of all, infuse light into the souls of men, whereby they may be enabled to know from whence all their evils spring, and by what means they may avoid them." The very foundation of all great tragedy in literature is the threat for retribution on sin, springing from a haunting accusing conscience.

When we make this accusing conscience? It is but the inherited intuitions of the mind, an instinct that warns of what experience has shown will bring harm and suffering. Is it in awful return of past sufferings for sin to have no conscience? So it is but the reflex of the popular opinion as to what is right and wrong, a mirror of the thoughts of the age in which we live. But such reflections could hardly drive man forward to sacrifice his life for the sake of a statement to mark the workings of an awakened conscience.

Rather let us hold it true as the Scriptures teach, that it is the voice of God within, the spirit speaking to our soul, the imprint of all the best ideals ever learned, the law written on our hearts by the divine in dwelling, that an inward monitor might enforce the principles that a revealed law from without brings to us. God has shown His wisdom in thus giving us a double power operating in our lives, to drive us from wrong and its consequences, to woo us to the right and its rewards. Tullock says: "Conscience like the magnetic needle, indicates the existence of an unknown power which from afar controls its vibrations, and at whose presence it trembles."

WARNING FALSE LIGHTS. After warning as to false lights along the shore of life, it is pointed out, dwarfed, or hardened conditions, that would turn right into wrong, and exalt evil as good, showing that shipwrecks come just as quickly to the mariner who believes the wreckers' light to be a true light-house, the preacher showed that there are many substitutes for conscience today. Some put an infallible pope, an unerring church, a meditating priest at a confessional box, an infallible creed or a list of some junta of ecclesiastics; others put in place of this infallible inward monitor. Others pin their faith to the traditions of their forefathers as the one sure guide in the mazes of ethical questions of the day.

is right!" and cried "Hands off!" to every God-moved reformer who dared to suggest that the existing wickedness was wrong and should be corrected. It is this substitution of popularity for rightness that keeps the saloons, brothels, and gambling halls open in America, just as it kept slavery in power a half century ago. It is this that lets the white slave traffic go on today in our chief cities, where the bodies of girls are sold like the slaves of long ago. French girls at \$500 to \$1,400 apiece, Japanese girls at \$800 each, Chinese girls from \$2,000 to \$3,000 each in the flesh markets of Chicago that lets the old ones worn out in ten years be drugged and killed, to get them out of the way.

SHALL NO ONE PROTEST? Shall we not protest? Shall we not march shamelessly through our streets, and good men raise no protest? Are we cowardly, recreant to every higher sense of duty? Our age is a temporizing, trimming, easy-going, dodge-the-issue, compromise age, unprincipled, unprincipled, milk-and-water sweetened vinegar, smooth-it-over, easy-duped, and skulking generation that is often afraid to face the music of its own highly educated convictions and fight for what it holds most sacred and true. We compromised with slavery till we came to bloody war. We trifle with corruption and delay in our courts till the howling mob lynches the worst of our criminals. We are dallying with the cloak and the twin relics of barbarism, the most of drunken degenerates may yet terrorize our cities with the reign of a drunken anarchy that despises and spits on law.

Oh, for a mighty revival of honesty that will make all business men deal honorably, and stop all the tricks and frauds, make our politicians work for righteousness instead of cater to the depraved classes, that will speak the truth and stop all slandering and backbiting in society, that will stop hypocrisy and double dealing in churches, and make them as honest and amenable to the Golden Rule in their church business as we ask the corporations to be in their public transactions. Oh, for such an awakening as will set God's people free from the grip of public wrong and private vices till our guilty land is purified, that will give conscience might as it has right, power as it has authority, till it absolutely governs the world.

It was when Luther's conscience revolted against the corruption of his church in the Dark Ages that the morning-star of the Reformation rose over Europe and woke the day-dawn of progress that has swept on to this day. It was when their consciences would no longer stand idly by to see their children amid the corruptions of a degenerate age in England that our Pilgrim fathers fled first to Holland and then to America and set up here those free institutions and that godly civilization for which we are now fighting. It was when their conscience persists even today to give us the higher ideals of the greatest republic this world ever saw.

And it was when Jesus Christ stood so firm and true to his divine truths and mission that he went to the cross and death rather than retreat or compromise, it was then that the spirit of militant, sacrificing, loyal Christianity was born that has engendered this globe with missions, and is still transforming the world.

MAN ARRESTED FOR LARCENY

W. T. Tolson, a former Southern Pacific switchman, was arrested yesterday morning by Acting Sergeant of Police Farman and Patrolman Cronkite and booked in detention at the county jail. Tolson is alleged to have held up a Mexican in Chinatown late Saturday night and taken a gold watch from him. The Mexican reported the holdup to the officers and a search for Tolson was instituted. When found, Tolson had the watch in his possession. The Mexican, whose name is R. Berro, identified the time-piece. En route to jail, Tolson declared that he gave the Mexican \$1.50 for the watch. The police is further investigating.

MISSING FOWLER MAN TURNED UP

Al Mason, the Fowler constable, was in the city late Saturday afternoon and reported to the authorities that his brother-in-law, Noah Bishop, also of Fowler, was missing from home. However, it was reported last night that Bishop had returned after an absence of about three weeks. While here, guest of the brother-in-law, Mason stated that the missing man came to Fresno early Saturday morning to purchase mules. When he failed to return on the 3 o'clock train, Mason became anxious and began a search for him. No trace could be found here, so the Fowler constable returned home in the evening, hopeful of Bishop's return in the night.

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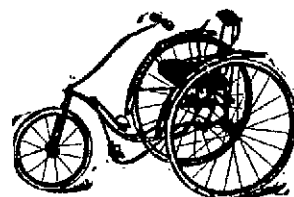
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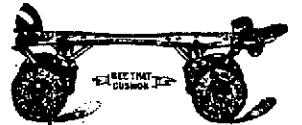


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ANNUAL "GRIDIRON" CLUB DINNER IS HELD

Public Men and Measures Are "Joshed" With-out Reserve.

Polar Controversy and Troubles in Congress Made Sport of.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—President Taft and members of his cabinet, senators, judges, scientists and diplomats and men of high standing in public and private life spent several hours tonight as the guests of the Gridiron Club in revelry and song and nonsense, blended with wisdom. They heard many humorous truths told in strange form and enjoyed many a joke at their own expense because of the genial humor in which the shafts of wit were concealed. Men of strongly opposed politics, and others although of the same political party, had found serious reasons for wide divergence, were present at the dinner and listened not only with philosophy, but even with glee to the comical exhibition of their quarrels.

The distinguished company learned in an authoritatively way the truth about the discovery of the North Pole through a scientific commission who reported personally to the Gridiron Club, and undertook to arbitrate the differences between Peary and Cook, who in this instance were represented by the two initiates into the club membership—Edward L. Keen, the United Press, and Ira E. Bennett, of the Washington Post and San Francisco Call.

WASHINGTON CLIMATE.

One of the explorers said he had identified the Pole by the resemblance of the climatic conditions to Inauguration Day in Washington. He had qualified for his task by climbing Capitol Hill to reach the appropriations committee and was equipped with a fountain pen and megaphone. The Pole was found to be as far distant from land as President Taft found it from the insurgent Wisconsin to Standard Oil.

Stranger disclosures were made. Santa Claus was found laden with heavy packages marked "My Policies—From T. R. to W. H. T."

The Aurora Borealis resembled the halo that Taft put on Adolph, while Keen's hat resembled the midday sun (without the sun). Matt Hanson, encircled, claiming to have located the Pole in Bavaria and produced it in the shape of a barber's pole, tuncfully telling of his exploits. The question of identity being raised, barbers ruthlessly removed the enormous haircuts appendages of the pseudo-explorers and disclosed the initiates. Then the electric bulbs were dimmed and in the brilliancy of the calcium light "Uncle" Hanson was portrayed in a series of plastic poses on a pedestal as "The Iron Duke" with the inevitable cigar, grown to mammoth proportions and tilted upward at the familiar sharp angle, while the quartet chanted a dirge to the tune of "Daisy Boy," the first verse of which was:

See the Speaker, our own Uncle Joe; Hear him swear, see him tear all his hair. When insurgents defy him: Every man in the House is as still as a mouse. While Cannon is present: But when he's away for a day they all play. And say they don't fear him."

THE SUFFRAGETTES.

Secretly had the guests turned again to their entries when the dinner was interrupted by the entry of a dozen hard faced old dames, leading meek and henpecked husbands. These turned out to be a delegation of aggressive suffragettes, demanding "Votes for Women" in strident voices. Several noted men among the diners were called upon to declare their positions on this momentous question, to the great amusement of the company. Finally the president of the club divided against the women's claims, whereupon they announced their purpose to participate in the dinner and were only driven away through a threat to feed them after the British fashion through the medium of a gigantic stomach pump.

"The Battle Royal" was a north-provoking stunt. Members of the club chid in regulation ring outfits represented "Battling Nelson," the Rhode Island Terror; "Achilles Ballinger," the Scotch scold; "Giff Pinchot," the Fighting Lumber Jack; "Joe Cannon," the Danville Bantam; and "Herb Parsons," the Candy Kid.

Before the mixup, which was very realistic, the cautious referee, always concealed in the gloves of the gladiators various articles, such as lumps of coal, axes, knives, pieces of steel, and the like, calculated to inflict mortal damage upon some of them.

ALASKAN VIANDTS.

President Taft's projected visit to Alaska formed a subject of humorous comment and great solicitude was shown for his comfort and to make sure that his dietary would conform to his simple tastes the proprietor of the hotel where he is to stay, was called upon to state the viands to be provided. The list of dishes and methods of preparation afforded opportunity for many good-natured jokes at the expense of the prominent guests. One man who wanted poached eggs, another heard the order translated into "One Cook and Peary on a raft." Captain Archie Dutt, who ordered hush with red peppers and tobacco sauce, was astonished to hear the chef acknowledge it as "One order of hush with red peppers and tobacco sauce."

Attorney General Wickensham's demand for deeded lobsters with the claws removed, got to the kitchen as "One hustled trout" and "One Uncle Joe" was the response to the suggestion that the president would like some "noggin." What the general opinion was of the president himself was musically set out by the Gridiron Quartet in a song, a verse of which ran: (The tone being "I love my wife, but oh you Taft.")

"Now Roosevelt voice was president. Oh yes, he was; But Taft now runs the job. Oh yes he does. Roosevelt now has gone a hunting. Shout ye with his might and shout ye the politicians sing. So the politicians sing: This musical testing: CHORUS:

We love, we love, we love Roosevelt. But, oh you Taft. It's gone away to Africa. But, oh you Taft. He said he would come back again. And thereupon we laughed. We love, we love, we love Roosevelt. But, oh you Taft."

NO ROOSEVELT GINGER.

Then the correspondents voiced their grouse against news conditions under the present administration as compared with that preceding. Messages were delivered to the representatives of press associations and leading newspapers complaining of the dearth of Washington news worthy of first page headlines and asking why the president was not "killing Congress (sic)" as had been customary for the past seven years. There was also a wild telegraphic demand for details of the Roosevelt conspiracy, that could not be met.

The souvenir of the dinner was a "Gridiron Dream Book," the production of the club's special secret, "Prof. Woodington Witz." Flamboyantly bound, its decorative scheme utilized along with the mystic Gridiron various symbols of the astronomer's art. Proceeding on the theory that the interpreter of dreams should take into consideration the circumstances and temperament of the individual, the favorite dreams of various guests were mentioned and their significance explained.

There was also an oraculum and Book of Fate by means of which fortunes could be told, and the science of physiognomy and radiology were not neglected. Illustrations in caricature and occasional bits of verse interspersed. Despite its whimsical and irresponsible nature, many of the directions were admitted to be marvellously accurate.

TENNESSEE PARTY FIGHT ARBITRATED

President Will Appoint Officers Without Reference to Factions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—President Taft today has taken a hand in straightening out factional troubles in the Republican party in Tennessee. Postmaster-General Hitchcock escorted the warring factions to the White House. For some time the party in Tennessee has been divided into two factions, one headed by Representatives Brownlow and Austin and the other headed by H. Clay Evans, Newell Sanders, the state chairman, and others. The president decided that in matters of minor federal patronage in the state he would recognize the state organization, or Evans-Sanders faction. In all districts except the first and second, represented by Messrs. Brownlow and Austin. In these districts the congressmen will dictate the appointments. The president plainly laid both sides, however, that in the matter of appointing marshals and district attorneys, he would rely upon the fitness of the candidates and would be responsible for their appointment.

FIRE LOSS \$30,000 IN A UTAH CITY

PARK CITY, Utah, December 12.—A loss of \$30,000 was caused by fire which started in Maple Hall, a three-story lodging house on Main street, late this afternoon and burned north and south, destroying five business houses. For a time the whole business section was endangered, but the firemen gained control of the flames and restricted damage to Main street. The fire was first discovered in the room of a lodger at Maple Hall. Its cause is not known.

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ESTRADA SEEMS IN BAD POSITION

Insurgent Nicaraguan Leader Has Been Overconfident of Success.

BLUEFIELDS, Dec. 11.—A staff correspondent of the Associated Press who recently arrived here, thus canvassed the situation and finds it less hopeful for the insurgents than has been believed.

George Estrada is greatly disturbed and has appealed to United States Consul Moffat for aid from the United States to protect Americans. It is known, however, that what he really wishes is intervention by the United States to save the insurgents' cause.

While General Vasquez at the head of a handful of loyal troops was parleying with Estrada's envoys before Rama, it is said that the main army of Zelaya was marching on Bluefields. A disquieting report comes from Greytown, which is said to contain a government force sufficient to rout the besieging troops under General Chamorro whenever word is given.

It is possible that the provisions are unduly alarmed, just as they appear to have been overconfident, but the situation is set forth as it is viewed from the insurgent's standpoint.

There has been a sudden and unpleasant realization here of government strength and insurgent weakness. President Zelaya has outwitted General Estrada, and the latter's chief hope is in American intervention.

It turns out that the conferences sought by General Vasquez, of the government troops, near Rama, which the insurgents had interpreted as a sign of yielding on the part of Zelaya's troops, was a bluff, intended to obtain a delay of the expected battle until the insurgent army had gained a decided advantage of position. It is also learned that when Zelaya had kept a scattered force before Rama, his real army of 3000 men was hurrying by forced marches toward Bluefields.

The report that a descent upon this city from Rama was possible only by river is now known to be untrue.

General Estrada endeavored to conceal his alarm by informing the correspondents that the front that all was tranquil, with the prospect that General Vasquez and Major Eva would surrender.

Ten minutes after he had talked with the reporters, the insurgent leader had his chief diplomatic aide, Adolph Diaz, on the telephone and was telling him that the Americans should send more marines ashore, as Vasquez apparently had outflanked him. Estrada also expressed the opinion that a guest should be made of the United States government for protection of Americans in Bluefields.

Diaz rushed to U. S. Consul Moffat with the intelligence. The counsel assured him that Commander Shipley's marines from the U. S. cruiser Des Moines with their six rapid fire guns would be able to control the situation here.

It was recalled today that Major Eva, one of the government envoys at yesterday's conference, was the man who surveyed the telegraph line across the country and that none knows better the hidden ways through the forests, swamps, and hills.

If President Taft is determined that

Zelaya shall be deposed, it is believed here that the United States forces will find active participation in the struggle necessary.

Yesterday's temporary truce is at an end. Monday night General Estrada received information that a large force of government troops was stationed between Rama and Bluefields. This caused alarm which was augmented by the report brought by the cruiser Des Moines that Zelaya's men at Greytown are in far from the desperate condition which has been reported here. They are said to number more than 3000 well fed and well paid soldiers and are opposed only by General Chamorro with 400 insurgents.

The excellent condition of the army in Greytown is said to be the main reason why it does not leave its quarters and attack Chamorro.

BLACK HAND IS TO BE PROSECUTED

Sixteen Ohio Italians Are Indicted on Fifteen Counts.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 12.—That the government will endeavor to prove a widespread conspiracy to extort money from Italians is shown by the indictment returned yesterday by the federal grand jury here against sixteen Italians, alleged members of a black hand organization apprehended last June. As secret indictment was returned also, the nature of which was not disclosed.

The joint indictment on fifteen counts, charging conspiracy, to use the mails to extort money by threats reveals for the first time the names of fifteen Italians living in Ohio and Indiana, who, it is alleged, the defendants attempted to victimize. The indictments charge that the defendants were members of the organization known as the "black hand," composed of persons bound by solemn covenant to enforce their demands for money by means of bodily injury, assassination and destruction of property.

Six of the defendants are held in jail here. After the report of the grand jury, Judge Nappen issued bench warrants for the arrest of the others and bonds were fixed at \$10,000 each.

District Attorney W. L. Day said the government hopes to check effectively black hand operations through the United States.

NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN TODAY

WASHINGTON, December 12.—Between the railroad conference committee, representing the General Managers' Association and the Switchmen's Union will begin Monday in Chicago, according to an authorized statement issued here late today by the General Managers' Association.

It is expected that the points at issue between the railroad and the employees will be discussed. Interstate Commissioner Knapp and Labor Commissioner Neil Monday will also take up the dispute between the Illinois Central railroad and its telegraphers, who have asked for an increase of 10 per cent in wages. The demand of the telegraphers was denied by the road and the dispute referred to the mediation of the federal commissioners.

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PROPHECY

Edward F. Cahill, the Call's "candid friend" (and sometimes he is too brilliant or too subtle or too half-humorously whimsical to be quite "candid") gives this prediction, based on logical deduction:

"In fifty years from now, America will be ruled by its millionaires, as now, by its industrial and scientific, but positively and without disguise."

It is an interesting prophecy, just because it looks so startlingly impossible, on first thought, and so startlingly probable on second thought. What about third thought?

The probability of the thing is its naturalness, in the ordinary course of evolution. Aristocracy is the natural state of mankind. Note, we do not say it is the right state; it is the natural state. He that hath, takes to himself more, until finally he appropriates wealth, power and glory. There comes a time when he that hath can get more, by the bounty of him that hath than he would be likely to get by a struggle for justice, so he takes what he can get and becomes a supporter of the system that gives it to him. So we get an aristocracy by the consent of the plebeians.

That is the history of all social and economic aristocracies, and it is the state of the present political feudalism, by which we are now in large part governed. Allow, as the "candid friend" does, fifty years for it to grow, and we shall have as the successors of our present rulers their grandsons—but a different sort of men. Our present rulers made their own fortunes and seized their own power, and are now engaged in building up both. Like all pioneers, they are practical men and satisfied with results. They are too busy to bother with the pomp and name of power, and besides, they have no taste for the game of strat. The power that most appeals to them is exercised from a back office, anonymously. Not so their grandsons. The fortunes will be made, then; no one will care to make them bigger, and the owners will long since have ceased to trouble themselves with their management. They will have become persons of leisure, with cultivated tastes in art, society, luxury and vice. They will add the pomp of power to its substance—only to pass down (if history is our guide) its pomp without its substance.

This is the evolution on which we are now started, and this is the goal it will reach—unless something prevents. And since we have all become evolutionists, we have grown accustomed to the idea that nothing will prevent—that it is all a play of blind forces, anyway, which it is futile to resist.

But nevertheless, we are very sure that the "candid friend's" puzzling prediction will not be realized. Two things will prevent this evolution—our evolution, and the conscious struggle of human ideals against evolution.

This evolution of the millionaire aristocrat is only one of the forces now at work. Another equally logical evolution leads straight toward Socialism. The management of industry is becoming centralized but its ownership is becoming universal. A big trust has five directors and a hundred thousand stockholders. Some of these stockholders are only trustees for hundreds of thousands of others. Every man who has a life insurance policy is part owner of all the trusts in existence. And life insurance is Socialism. So is the public school. The two helpless ends of life we already care for Socialistically, and in supporting them we are rapidly acquiring a socialistic ownership of all the rest. When the trusts own all industry and everybody owns all the trusts, then the trusts will own the government or the government will own the trusts—no matter which, since the people will own both, and the distinction between government and industry will have been obliterated. And there is Socialism, ready-made.

Still another evolution leads straight toward syndicated dictatorship, or imperialism. We spoke of the power of the aristocrat, as if it were individual, and could be handed down to his grandson. But the power, as actually now exercised, is an incorporated system. California is still ruled by Harriman, though Harriman is dead and it was not Edward H. Harriman personally, mild-mannered Christian gentleman that he was, who ruled us when he was alive. It was the Harriman "system" which has no grandson and does not die. These systems are the most efficient organizations for business or for government, that human ingenuity ever devised, and they are rapidly absorbing all things to themselves, by very virtue of that efficiency. Also, they are rapidly merging into one system—a system which would include the labor unions, as one of its trusts. When that evolution is finished, the system will rule, absolutely, and we shall have an empire, at first in substance, and then in name, too. With a Napoleon of France, a Caesar of organization, an Alexander of gigantic dreams at the head of it—a Machiavellian syndicate, which hurls the genius of all three behind it.

So there are your three evolutions, the leading toward aristocracy, one toward socialism, and one toward imperialism, all now in actual process of development. With the field so open, what would follow just the same would ensue. But they die, the old and with each other, and then a fourth power, the most important and dominant of all—the con-

scious effort of human nature, to realize its ideals.

For we do not submit blindly to evolution. Democracy has survived, not because it is natural, but because we believe in it, and guard it artificially, by eternal vigilance. Democracy has overthrown the Boss, within the decade, in nearly every city in America. Democracy has exposed the "muckrakers" and is organizing to dethrone it. Democracy resorts to the forces of social life to curb aristocracy, and to the graces and benevolences of aristocracy to avoid socialism. Democracy learns of imperialism the lesson of organization. And democracy is implanted in the heart of the individual man, who was born to be free, and will submit himself to no autocracy nor merge himself in any socialism. The other forces are blind and evolutionary; democracy is fighting and conscious. Democracy is a force in itself, and it is able to use and to divert all the other forces. We have a faith, not unjustified, that the future belongs, not to aristocracy, socialism or imperialism, but to democracy, ruled not by the blind forces of destiny, but by the free spirit of free man.

CORPORATIONS SHOULD BE GIVEN MORE SUPERVISION

Interstate Business Is Discussed in Federal Report.

Many Strange Things in Annual Statement of Secretary Nagel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The report of Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor, made public today, recommends the development of the Bureau of Corporations into an agency to perform for the whole country what has been doing in specific instances. Secretary Nagel's recommendations suggest an agency to which the management and conditions of all interstate corporations should be reported.

The need of properly safeguarding business interests is recognized and would be provided for. The secretary declares the comparison that the commercial and financial side of the nation has become nationalized, and suggests that it is now in order to nationalize its corporate life.

The secretary's recommendation made by Secretary Nagel is for broader laws to stamp out the white slave traffic. While the present statutes prohibit the importation of women for immoral purposes, there is no law against transporting them from one state to another. The secretary says it must be realized that the white slave trade is an organized business, and that tighter laws are needed to enable Federal authorities to fight it successfully.

NEVELITIES IN REPORTS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—About this time every year there comes from the government printing office a host of rather dry-looking documents—annual reports—setting forth the ramifications and results of the activities of hundreds of government officials in every corner of the national territory. Behind the long columns of figures, between the lines of bare and often cumbrously written official statements of men whose forte is not literary, lie stories which are as interesting as any famous tale of adventure.

Take, for instance, the report of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor. "BACHELOR" SEALS. Who in the world east of the Rocky Mountains would have suspected that some seals are married and some are bachelors, and so recognized officially by Uncle Sam? Yet it seems that there are at least 2000 bachelor seals on St. Paul and St. George's Islands. Some 2000 of the seals there are benedictus of a polygamous temperament and have among them about 50,000 wives, classified by the government experts into "harem."

It also appears that the seals are only 140 years old. The deduction must follow that it is only a question of time when the seal will be a memory.

Upon the barren reefs of the Pribilof there is a band of men called "the Alaskan Fur Seal Service." Some of them counted the married seals last year and found that there were 1071 happy families on St. Paul's Island. They found 2000 little bachelor seals and promptly tagged them as immune from the hunt, because a single seal would be a nuisance to the sealers, every bachelor to get a harem of his own.

PRODUCING SPONGES. Off the coast of Florida a series of experiments have proved that we can produce our own sponges. Some of the experts of the government believe his way up the coast on a "wind-jammer," looking for a very elusive fish, the mackerel. When he learns his tricks the government will take the fishermen.

Along the Yukon river there is a new salmon station which has liberated more than 3,000,000 young red salmon to the rivers, and during the year the government deposited in various waters of the United States more than 3,000,000 fish. Finding their way through the bergs and channels in the waters of the Philippines, a group of hardy men from the coast and geodetic survey are finding new lanes for commerce. Waters hitherto uncharted and a mystery to the mariner will be easy of navigation. Another group is working its way up the rocky coast of Alaska.

CANADIAN BOUNDARY. On the northern edge of the United States a band of explorers has cut its way through the forests to the peak of the Rocky Mountains, making the boundary line of the United States with Canada. The old stone monuments, placed years ago and hopelessly buried in the tangle of mountain undergrowth, have been recovered and now ones set in their places.

Along the Yukon river the civil engineers have been locating the 141st meridian of longitude. The basis for all future land surveys in the valley of one of the greatest rivers in the world, is being laid there now.

The fewness of the immigration limitations agreed upon between the government and Japan is demonstrated in this report which shows that of 2664 Japanese who applied for admission to the country, 2437 had the proper passports from their home government and only 227 were barred.

FOREIGN COMMERCE. The magnitude of the foreign commerce is amazing. The total value of imports was more than \$1,300,000,000. The value of exports was \$1,100,000,000.

yards built only 1447 merchant vessels with tonnage of 238,000, the smallest product since 1883.

The protecting waves of the wireless telegraph have spread themselves over the sea and formed a life-net. Of 282 steamships that carry storage passengers to and from the United States, half of them have been equipped with the wireless. The mainland of Alaska, the United States, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Panama Canal zone have been equipped with wireless land stations.

Secretary Nagel recommends the further development of the Bureau of Corporations. At the end of the fiscal year, the department still has on hand inventories of the lumber and steel industries, the International Harvester Company, concentration of water power ownership, transportation by rail in the United States. It was still continuing its investigations of the tobacco industry, the operation of cotton exchanges and state systems of corporation taxation.

RELIABLE INFORMATION. On the subject of government control of the fiscal and industrial forces, the first need of two things is emphasized. First, reliable information upon which the government may take legislative and administrative action, and second, the information in concise and available form to serve for the basis of public opinion.

A definite Federal system of statutory publicity, by which all important corporations engaged in interstate commerce will be obliged to report at 2000 intervals to a Federal agency such as the Bureau of Corporations, the essential facts regarding their organization, management and condition, is strongly urged. This, the secretary believes, will accomplish for the whole country what the Bureau of Corporations has been doing in specific cases.

Any attempt to solve the question through state action has been, and necessarily will be, futile, says the report. No considerable number of states can ever agree upon establishing or maintaining such a system. No one state alone can make the system effective.

In all, during the fiscal year, 94,335 aliens entered the country and 67 per cent of them came from Russia and the countries of Southern Europe. A total of 22 per cent of the aliens is shown by the report, which is something of an increase over the previous year. The coming of these aliens, however, brought \$17,311,828 into the country and they netted an average of \$23.50 each. It is calculated by the department, however, that 33 per cent of the aliens are assisted with money to reach this country.

WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC. In one portion of his report, Secretary Nagel takes up the "white slave" traffic.

The department's investigations show that the traffic in immoral women is an established and extensive business and is by no means confined to trading in women who have been imported to this country in a regular way, and American women as well. Under the present law the Federal officers are equipped to deal with only a small part of such a situation.

The law prohibits the bringing of women into the country for immoral purposes. The secretary recommends that the law be amended to prohibit as well the bringing of women for such purposes from one state into another state and that \$30,000 be appropriated to enforce the law.

There is no money available for traffic prosecution or litigation at present. The need of strengthening the law against alien contract labor is reported to be pressing. The need of amending the Chinese immigration laws to fit conditions existing is also recommended.

Turning to his own office, Secretary Nagel lays down the principle that the government is entitled to "a day's work for a day's pay," and agrees that the pay should be commensurate with the work.

Because of the low salaries established in some of the grades, it was found impossible, Mr. Nagel says, to get civilians capable of the work at such salaries. As a remedial step he advocates the abolition of all clerical positions paying less than \$400 a year, and that places paying from \$500 to \$1000 be created in their stead.

CHINESE DOCTOR IS FOUND GUILTY. SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—A verdict of guilty was rendered last evening by a jury in the case against Dr. T. Wah Ling, a wealthy Chinese physician and prominent in the Yee family, accused of perjury and criminal negligence. Dr. Ling was found guilty in June 1908. This was his second trial. The former jury disagreed after standing eight for acquittal and four for conviction during twenty-seven hours of deliberation. This jury was out just two hours.

Many witnesses were sprung in the case by District Attorney Wachob, who confronted the defense with several conspiracies, including alleged bribery, perjury, jury fixing, bribing witnesses and forgery. This jury was locked up since it was accepted to prevent a possible tampering. Even at that, one of the detectives employed by the Chinese boasted to a witness that the jury had been "fixed."

The conviction was a great surprise to the defendant and his attorneys, who had expected an acquittal. Dr. Ling is ranked as being more wealthy than any white doctor in Sacramento. He will come up for sentence next Wednesday. The woman lived, so the maximum penalty is five years.

SHEEDY, SPORTING MAN, IS DEAD. NEW YORK, December 12.—Patrick P. Sheedy, for many years one of the best sports and sporting men in the city, died here at home tonight of heart disease. He had been confined to his house for two years.

Sheedy suffered a slight stroke of paralysis about a year ago, which he never rallied. Thirty-six hours ago he became unconscious. No arrangements have been made for the funeral, but it is understood he will be buried in Hartford, Conn., his birthplace.

REDWOOD SLIVER IS CAUSE OF DEATH. SAN BERNARDINO, December 12.—A redwood sliver brought death to Monte Lucy Hamburg, 8-year-old daughter of Maurice D. Hamburg, superintendent for the Gill Embroidery Company yesterday afternoon. The child died of tetanus after three and one-half days of great suffering.

Two weeks ago a sliver entered her foot. Last Tuesday she complained of stiffness in her shoulder and neck, and when her condition did not improve the father called in a physician, but nothing could be done to allay her sufferings or prevent her death.

EIGHT PASSENGERS ARE INJURED IN DERAILMENT. LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 12.—The Denver-Chicago, eastbound express on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy road, was derailed at Exeter, fifty miles from Lincoln this morning. Two passenger cars, the engine, the baggage and mail cars left the track and toppled on their sides.

Eight passengers were injured, one severely. The wreck occurred at a point where the Burlington tracks cross those of the Northwestern road. The cause has not been learned. A relief train with railroad officials and

MUNICIPAL FARM FOR LOS ANGELES

City Convicts Are to Be Sent to Work There on Parole at \$2 Per Day.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—A municipal farm with "cattle house" for its motto, for the utilization of convict labor, is ready for its start here Tuesday. The farm consists of 1200 acres, and the plan is to plant parts in cucumbers and cuttings the rest for the production of vegetables, mostly potatoes. Each convict is to be valued at \$2 a day by the city, and is to remit any fine in proportion to the number of days served.

The products of the farm are to be used, first, for its own maintenance, and afterward for the support of the municipal and elementary institutions. This supply is supposed to compensate the city for its aid to the enterprise. The material compensation is secondary to the benefit it is supposed to give to the individual sent to the farm. It is to be a new feature of the parole reform system, and has had measurable success in other cities, particularly Cleveland.

While punitive in a measure, it is not to be a prison. Men will be sent on their honor. Not a bar to escape is to be provided. The parolee will be in the custody of the parole board, and will be sent to the farm to do a specified number of days' labor to the good of unfortunate humanity, for its products under the plan are to be there.

CHRISTMAS NOT ENEMY TO TREES

Holiday Demand for Evergreens Not Sufficient to Do Damage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Does the Yule Tide with its demand for Christmas trees prove a menace to the American forest?

This question is asked by the United States forestry service by those interested in the conservation of the natural resources. The subject has received the consideration of the forestry bureau and the reply has been sent out that there need be no danger of destruction if the cutting of young evergreens for Christmas is done with discrimination. In young pine forests, it is said, the thinning out process should be hastened, and where trees are cut in reckless manner results are detrimental.

"I have thought a good deal about the Christmas tree matter," said Chief Forester Pinchot, "and have finally reached this conclusion: Trees are for use. There is no other use to which these trees could be put that would contribute so much to the happiness and good of mankind as their use for the children and family on Christmas. So far as endangering the future life of our forests is concerned, the effect is infinitesimal compared with the destruction caused by forest fires and wasteful lumbering."

It is estimated that four million Christmas trees are used annually. If planted four feet apart, these could be grown upon 1400 acres of land. It is said that the use of Christmas trees has proved in Germany to be perfectly compatible with the welfare of the forest, and that the cutting of Christmas trees where the per cent of consumption is greatest, is a means of improving the forests.

EXPRESS RATES ARE CALLED EXCESSIVE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Charging Wells-Fargo & Co. with maintaining excessive rates, and with unfairness and monopoly, the Shippers Company, a local produce corporation, has filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission requesting an investigation. Discrimination against Los Angeles is compared with Seattle is also alleged.

The petitioners are growers and shippers of fruit and vegetables, and other produce shippers, who anticipate the liveliest fight ever made in an effort to force the express company to grant concessions that are considered reasonable.

One ground of complaint is that fruits and vegetables shipped to Arizona, Utah, Nevada and New Mexico are frequently delayed so long in transit as to ruin the produce, the express company then forcing the shippers to pay transportation charges, although no payment is made for the goods. It is also charged that the company denies responsibility in all cases which are frequent.

Charges on arzon vegetables from Los Angeles to New York are \$1.50 a hundred pounds, while from Seattle, though the distance is almost the same, while the cost of refrigeration is an extra charge of \$50 from Los Angeles and but \$30 from Seattle. Express rates in the Southwest are declared to be more than twice as much as in the Middle West, due, the complainants allege, to a monopoly maintained by Wells-Fargo & Co.

CHINESE MINISTER GOES EAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Accompanied by his wife and three sons, members of the party of Chinese Minister Tan, Chinese minister to the United States, departed today for Washington on the overland limited. The party was escorted from the hotel to the ferry building by a big delegation of Chinese society, and the drum corps of Chinese boys, which greeted him on his arrival, led the representative of the Chinese empire to the boat. Just before leaving the hotel Minister Tan placed a check for \$1000 in the hands of the Chinese ambassador, who had waited on his party during their stay here.

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KING LEOPOLD MAY BE ON HIS DEATH BED

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that a King would not write letters, especially love-letters; in fact, he should not write anything. When the King starts out to visit his better half, four Belgian policemen and two of their French brethren discreetly occupy themselves with his safety. A detective goes him safely within the enormous gates which shut in the chateau, and a solitary policeman is constantly on guard outside these gates of discipline. Once their groning hinges shut out the curious world, the King is left in solitude with his beloved. Far away from the cares of state, there still remain sources of uneasiness and joy. The Baronesse, queen of his heart but not of his kingdom, has a strong character. Until compelled to do so by the courts, she refused to pay her cook a bill of 1500 francs. The public were delighted with this choice morsel of scandal, and King Leopold has since carved out not a particle of truth, but within becoming modesty, he had had scandals enough, and more, in his first family. It was the Baronesse who induced the King to have a marriage ceremony. Since the birth of the royal baby, she is still more commanding, and exercises over the King a species of domestic, even if amorous, tyranny.

THE MIRACULOUS CHILD. The baby has been playfully referred to as "the miraculous child," and Le Roy Blas of Paris has called the King Alvin Pater. Should he succeed in carrying out his intentions with regard to the Baronesse and the baby, he will deserve richly the appellation of the Paris funny paper. The adventures and union of the King with Caroline Lacretz have furnished numerous subjects for caricaturists. He is the most widely caricatured ruler in the world. He has been widely caricatured in Germany, France, Austria, Holland and England. Newspapers have printed frequently that he means to abdicate so as to devote the sunset of his life to his morganatic wife. In this there is no particle of truth, for King Leopold is the last man in the world to desert his guns. And those who would force him to give up his crown are not sufficiently strong. For though he has given occasion to the wags to call him Cincinnatus, the reference being to Cato de Marcellus, the little dancer from the Paris Grand Opera—the people of Belgium do not forget that his matchless business ability has been given unsparingly to his country.

King Leopold is now engaged upon an effort to make his morganatic wife rich beyond the dreams of avarice. This time he has formed an anonymous company such as is quite common under the laws of France. In the company he has put all the property which the King has hitherto owned in France. The company will exploit the property. One-half of the income is to go to Belgians and Frenchmen who have contracted debts in the Congo or the French colonies. The other half is to go to a person whom the King will name later and also to her heirs. That person is Caroline Louise Lacretz, Baronesse Vaughan, morganatic wife of the King. Her heir is the King's son.

The King has been consulting with the Minister of Finance, and this time, success is in sight. Should the husband fail in his efforts to leave a safe annuity to his wife and child, nevertheless they will not be poor. For the King of the Belgians, who is also king of the rubber enterprises, has saved from his business enterprises a trifle over \$500,000,000.

Besides all this the Baronesse de Vaughan has been successful in getting another splendid gift. By clever artifice, the jewels of the late Queen of the Belgians have come into her possession.

Although it is expected that the annual copper production of the enlarged company will be about 200,000,000 pounds, that represents less than 10 per cent of the annual production without taking into account the large foreign output with which the company must compete."

NO CLEW TO KIDNAPERS. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Clues as to the whereabouts of Alma Kellner, the eight-year-old Louisville child who disappeared from her home here Wednesday morning and is supposed to be in the hands of kidnapers, ceased coming in today. There was not a lead for the police to follow.

Two immigrants are killed in derailment. CHICAGO, December 12.—Two immigrants were killed and three men and one woman injured in a peculiar manner in a northbound train in the Northwestern passenger train in the northern part of the city today. The tracks had been elevated recently and as the train passed, a rail was torn loose. It ripped through the floor of the baggage car, and through the smoke in the smoker the torn up rail dented one of the immigrants and killed another. The engineer and fireman and an immigrant man and woman were injured.

GEORGE CROCKER BURIED. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The body of George Crocker, the San Francisco financier, who died in New York last week, was laid to rest at Mount View cemetery, Oakland, today, after simple ceremonies at Trinity church in this city. The casket arrived on an early train and was taken at once to the church where every member of the Crocker family and friends of the dead pioneer were gathered. The most prominent families in the city.

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Every year regularly more than a million stomach sufferers in the United States, England and Canada take Pape's Diapiesin and realize not only immediate but lasting relief. This harmless preparation will digest anything you eat and overcome a sour, gassy or out-of-order stomach in five minutes afterwards. If your meals don't fit comfortably, or what you eat lays like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heart-burn, that is a sign of indigestion. Get from your Pharmacist a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapiesin and take a dose just as soon as you can. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, nausea, Debilitating Headaches, Dizziness or intestinal griping. This will all go, and besides, there will be no sour food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors. Pape's Diapiesin is a certain cure for out-of-order stomach, because it takes hold of your food and digests it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there. Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is waiting for you at any drugstore. These large 50-cent cases contain more than sufficient to thoroughly cure almost any case of Dyspepsia, indigestion or any other stomach disorder.

A CAT STORY

Overheard in W. Parker Lyon's Wall Paper Department

A young lady from Bakersfield dropped into our store one day last week. Under each arm, she carried a beautiful Angora cat—as pretty a pair of kittens as ever seen.

Dan Williams, the junior member of the firm, said: "What can I do for you, my pretty maid?"

"Kind sir, I want to select wall paper to harmonize with kittens' fleeces."

"What might the name of the felines be?" said Williams. "Tom and Jerry," she replied.

"Why call such beautiful cats such commonplace names? Why not call them something of a historic nature. Cook or Pearly, for instance?"

"Oo horrid thing," the girl replied. "My kittens are not Poles' Cats."

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Raisin Day Sale

TODAY

Seeded Raisins, 4 pkgs. for 25c
Loose Raisins, per lb. 3c
Fancy Clusters, per lb. 5c
Holland's Ideal Clusters, cartons 10c

This is one of the most popular mail packages. Contains about 2 lbs. clusters as they come from the field.

Thompson Seedless, 1 lb. pkgs., 4 for 25c
Fancy goods, steamed and re-cleaned.

Buster Brown Raisin Postals 5c
A two-cent stamp takes one to your Eastern friends.

Lyman's Blue Brand Clusters, 3 pkgs. for 25c
Blue Ribbon Clusters, 1 and 2 lb. cartons, 12 1-2, 25c ea.

Fancy packed.

2 1-2 lb. boxes Fancy Packed Clusters, reg. 50c 40c
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5 lb. wooden boxes, Fancier Packed Clusters, reg. \$1.00 80c
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There never was a more opportune time to purchase raisins. At these prices it will pay you to lay in your winter supply. Avail yourself of this chance, and remember your Eastern friends with presents of Fresno's famous product. REMEMBER that we pack securely and make shipment without extra charge, saving you time and trouble.

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FRIDAY NIGHT DEC. 17th

The Seat Sale Opens This Morning at 10 O'Clock, for
"Happie of the Chorus" || "A Queen of Comedy"
Get in Line—All Local Talent.
Benefit Fresno County Humane Society.

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Do not neglect to look over our stock of
ELECTRIC PORTABLE LAMPS,
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CHAFING DISHES AND PERCOLATORS,
FIVE-O'CLOCK TEAS,
CARVING SETS,
NICKEL COFFEE AND TEA POTS,
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Will find a choice line of Hand Bags, Framed Pictures, Calendars and Christmas goods of all kinds. Come and see us.

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During the past year the demand for capable bookkeepers and stenographers has been in very great excess of the supply.

Heald's Business College

has not been able to fill one-half the demand in Fresno and neighboring towns. The young man or young woman who takes a course in our school will not be disappointed. We now have a full school. Almost two hundred students in attendance now and others are entering every week. You may enter now and get the work you desire. Write for further information.

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CROCKERY, LACQUERED WARES, BAMBOO WARES AND BASKETS, SILK GOODS AND LEATHER GOODS, HAND-CARVED TABLES, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS, TEA SETS, FLOWER VASES, JARDINIERS, CUPS AND SAUCERS, MOST ATTRACTIVE XMAS PRESENTS.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS

FAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Forecast:
San Joaquin valley—Fair Monday, frost in the morning; light north wind.

Air temperature 44
Highest temperature yesterday 44
Lowest temperature yesterday 39
Humidity, percentage of 57
Wind velocity, mi. per hour, W 4
Total rainfall, Sept. 1st to date, 6.00
Forecast, Monday fair.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Raisin Day
At Holland's
Today.
Ask for Danish Creamery butter.
Dr. Cory, dentist, over Holland's.
Willow wood 18 per cord delivered.
Phone Main 49.

Keep your valuables in a safe deposit box at Fresno National bank, costs \$3 a year.

Christmas Gifts for men at Nyman Lewis' exclusive goods, furnishings and hats, 1336 Main St., 5th floor.

When you do your Christmas shopping, don't forget to make a Christmas present of your Kutner coupons to the Y. W. C. A.

Hog feed \$10 ton, Caproco oil cake, Caproco Oil cake meal, California Products Co., south end O street and Butler avenue.

The regular meeting of the board of managers of the County Ordinance will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. J. Craycroft, Tuesday morning, at ten o'clock.

Fresno Darning Academy changed from Chace hall to Wardrobe hall, 1033 I street, starting Tuesday night, December 14, Professor Kerlick.

While standing at the bar of the Calva saloon yesterday morning, an unknown Mexican accidentally dropped a large revolver from his hip pocket. The weapon struck the floor on the manner and was discharged, the bullet tearing through a thin partition and lodging in another wall beyond. No one was in the house at the time and no damage was done. The Mexican left the saloon shortly after the shot was fired.

Sheila Chittenden and Deputy "Sherry" Collins were called to Mataga yesterday morning to kill an unknown horse which had been found lying on its back in a ditch on the Will Laine place. The animal had gone through a small bridge, falling helplessly on its back. One of the hind legs was broken. Deputy Collins put the horse out of its misery with a bullet. It is presumed that the animal was a runaway from some pasture. It had no harness, halter or bridle on.

PERSONAL MENTION

A De Witt of Selma was a visitor in Fresno yesterday.

R. L. Berry of Lindsay is at the Fulton.

M. J. J. Jones of Del Rey is registered at the Grand Central.

J. E. Foster of Fowler was in the city yesterday.

J. H. King of Oakland is stopping at the Grand Central.

W. G. Stives of Del Rey is registered at the Fulton.

Robert P. Drake and E. J. Linton of Linton are at the Fulton.

Thomas H. Pike of Coalinga is a visitor in Fresno.

James M. Brooks of Sanger is a guest at the Fulton.

H. W. Frazer of Los Angeles is at the Grand Central.

W. S. Mitchell of North Fork is stopping at the Fulton.

Dr. J. L. Ruffin of Madras was a visitor in Fresno yesterday.

C. W. Baker of Hanford and E. M. Watkins of Tulare are among the late arrivals at the Fulton.

L. J. Abrams, the Stockton booster, is a guest at the Fulton.

E. H. Hunsing of Los Banos is registered at the Fulton.

J. S. Jones was a passenger to San Francisco last night.

N. H. Butterfield, general agent of the D. L. and W. railroad, was a visitor in Fresno yesterday from his office in San Francisco.

A. R. Morrow, superintendent of the California Wine association, and Paul Satchell, the Reddy wine man, were passengers to San Francisco last night.

J. W. Brooks of Syracuse, N. Y., has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Brooks, of 225 Yosemite avenue.

He is an electrical supply man. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Brooks have gone to Alameda to join their son before his return East.

Among those who visited San Francisco last week were J. P. Newman, H. H. Walsh, Louis Miller, Mrs. G. P. Beveridge, Miss Beveridge, G. A. Hendon, A. B. Long, W. D. O'Brien, W. L. Wharton, also W. H. Brooks, A. R. Neely and S. N. Van Warner, who are guests of the Union Square Hotel.

RELEASED FROM TICK FEVER QUARANTINE

Notice has been sent out by the bureau of animal industry of the U. S. Department of Agriculture of the modification of the southern cattle quarantine for Texas fever or tick fever of cattle, effective on the 6th inst. in portions of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, South Carolina and Virginia. This action is stated to have been taken as a result of the progress made in the extermination of the ticks which spread the disease. Since the beginning of this work in 1905, over 60,000 square miles of territory have been freed from ticks and released from quarantine.

BOY MISSING.

Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of Jake B. Hart, age 23 years, will please notify his father, Levi B. Hart, Fresno, Cal.

DIED.

WHITE.—At Empire Colony, Dec. 12, 1909, Margaret White, wife of C. J. White, aged 3 years, 1 month and 22 days.

Funeral private on Monday at 10 a. m. from home of Ben White; interment at Mountain View cemetery.

Catarrr Home Cure

Also Cures Kidney Trouble and Rheumatism—Bainworth, the New Drug, Growing in Favor.

For catarrr of the head use a teaspoonful of salt and a quarter teaspoonful of borax dissolved in a pint of warm water. Snuff this mixture through the nostrils twice daily and immediate relief is experienced. To cure a constitutional blood remedy must be used. Catarrr and rheumatism are both due to accumulated poisons in the system. These poisons must be eliminated.

The following simple home picture effectively acts on the kidneys, purifies the blood and the skin, causing them to resume their functions quickly and properly.

Get one-half ounce fluid extract Buchu, one ounce compound fluid Bainworth, and two ounces glycerine Sarsaparilla compound. Mix and take a teaspoonful after each meal and one at retiring. Many cases of catarrr, rheumatism, and kidney trouble have already benefited by this treatment.

ELECTIONS HELD IN SANGER FRATERNALS

Earthly Forms of Wickedness Cut Out of Play
By W. C. T. U.

SANGER, December 12.—The 1. O. O. F. lodge elected the following named as its officers: Noble Grand, S. L. Arnold; Vice-Grand, Lawrence Nelson; Secretary, Dr. E. E. Baird; Treasurer, J. P. Nelson; The Rebekah lodge elected as Noble Grand, Miss Ovella Richardson; Vice-Grand, Mrs. Lucinda Cavanah; Recording Secretary, Miss Gertrude Foreman; Financial Secretary, Dr. E. E. Baird; Treasurer, C. T. Hanson.

Sanger Masonic Lodge No. 318, has elected the following named as officers: Worshipful Master, J. N. Lisle; Senior Warden, J. E. Burnett; Junior Warden, Frank K. Sayre; Treasurer, J. P. Nelson; Secretary, Orle Hayward.

A. R. Pearson, of Del Rey, has a sour tangerine tree in full bearing. This tree blossoms the year round and produces fruit weighing from three to four pounds. There is only one drawback, Mr. Pearson does not know what tangerines are good for.

The play entitled "The Union Depot" acted at the W. C. T. U. auditorium on Tuesday evening, was well received and the entertainment netted the ladies about \$35. The play was only forty-five minutes. The brevity of it was unavoidable, as several parts in the play suggesting kissing, dancing and other forms of earthly wickedness had to be cut out.

The ladies of the Christian Church will hold a bazaar in the W. C. T. U. auditorium next Friday afternoon and evening. In the evening refreshments will be served.

Oranges are being shipped East at the rate of about a cent a day. That is, only a few are being picked. As soon as there is clear, sunny weather the crop will begin to move in earnest.

James Bryant, an old time resident of Sanger, but at present manager of the Ribbon Ore Mining Company near Coalinga, visited here last week.

Officers-elect of the M. W. of A. are: E. R. Barker, V. C. Barker, A. A. Barker, A. A. Root, Clerk; G. C. Owens, Banker; A. L. Tipton, Escort; W. S. Cox, Trustee.

Ira B. Bennett has gone to Muskegon, Mich., to attend the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hume-Bennett Lumber Company.

Earl Hudson, bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Sanger, has accepted a position with the Union National Bank of Fresno.

Mrs. Harriet Brothier, of Detroit, Mich., will spend the winter here with her sons, Louis and O. A. Brehler.

"HAPPY OF THE CHORUS"—A QUEEN OF COMEDY

Seat Sale Opens This Morning at the Empire at 10 O'clock.

The seat sale for the long-awaited for amateur theatrical to be presented at the Empire Theater, will open this morning at 10 o'clock. This coming event is the talk of the town, and has caused quite a stir among Fresno's theater-goers. And as it is for the benefit of the Fresno County Humane Society, it is natural crowds will attend to help the good cause.

The public is sure going to get a fine evening's entertainment. This group of clever performers are to present the two plays, one a tragedy, "A Queen of Comedy," and the other will be a comedy, "Happy of the Chorus." Another number will be the specialty, serpentine dance which Miss Bonnie Carter has charge of.

APPEAL TO PRESERVE BEAUTIES OF STATE

Supervisors Are Urged to Comply With the Law in County Forestry Boards.

Supervisors of counties in the state of California have been addressed by the Outdoor Art League, Department of the California Club to call their attention to an act passed at the last session of the State Legislature, approved on April 28, 1909, and entitled chapter 729. This act provides for the creation of county boards of supervisors of a county board of forestry, whose duties are well defined. The trees on many of the highways are being cut, and other depredations are being made by the hands of the state are constantly recurring. The league therefore earnestly urges boards to conform to the instructions of chapter 729 and in the general interests of California, said board of forestry form at earliest convenience.

WEALTHY MINER IS ALMOST PENNILESS

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 12.—Samuel A. Bonfield, once a wealthy Alaskan miner and banker, is almost penniless, according to reports received here. He is now in the care of his brother, John A. Bonfield, in the probate court yesterday. Two months ago Sam Bonfield became insane, and an investigation of his affairs leads to the belief that he has lost nearly all of his fortune. He is now in the probate court yesterday. Two months ago Sam Bonfield became insane, and an investigation of his affairs leads to the belief that he has lost nearly all of his fortune. He is now in the probate court yesterday.

Generous to a fault, Bonfield is thought to have become irresponsible some time before he was finally declared insane, and to have given away money in big amounts to friends of early days who came to him with hard-luck stories. No accounts can be found and Bonfield's entire fortune seems to have disappeared. Bonfield is now in the care of his brother, and is said to be slowly regaining his reason.

FRESNO, Nov. 12.—Julius Gillette, a Swiss, while riding as a passenger on a westbound train yesterday, became suddenly and violently insane, and without giving the slightest indication of his intention to any of his fellow passengers, made a headlong plunge through the glass of one of the windows while the train was going forty miles an hour. Gillette, a quiet, unassuming man, was riding on the ground by the side of the track, one of his legs extending across the rail. Instantly it was completely severed from the remainder of his body by the wheels.

The accident occurred this side of the town, and the injured man was conveyed to Winnemucca, where he now lies in the hospital. Gillette is about 40 years of age, and the railroad ticket found in his pocket indicated he was on his way to Sparks.



Mr. S. B. Goodman Says:

To cut the price on every article in our store including all the Holiday Goods during our

ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE

WE OFFERED the people great bargains Saturday and were swamped with an immense rush of customers, but today lower prices than ever go into effect on every article in the entire store.

No other store can offer you such bargains. Come today and see for yourself. We have lots of extra salespeople to wait on the crowds

A Detailed List of Our Low Prices Will Appear in a Page Ad in Tomorrow Morning's Republican

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In Going East

Travel right—use our Sunset Route. Through tourist service to New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Washington.

Inquire of our agents for full particulars. Service and equipment the best.

THE SAFE ROAD TO TRAVEL.

Southern Pacific Company

STEALS A DRAFT IN REGISTERED LETTER

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—The postal authorities are looking for James H. Longdon, until recently a local representative of the Fraternal Providence Reserve of America, who is said to have decamped with a registered letter containing \$300 intended as an accident insurance for M. E. Diepenbrock to pay him for accidentally blowing off his toes with a shotgun several months ago.

The registered letter was addressed to P. S. Peck, agent for the Pacific Mutual Insurance Company. He reported to Postmaster Richardson that Longdon overheard a conversation he had with Diepenbrock about the registered letter due in a few days from the Los Angeles office. When the letter carrier that he was authorized to do so by Peck, Longdon disappeared before Peck learned about the arrival of the letter. Creditors are also anxiously awaiting news of Longdon's whereabouts, saying he went away without settling his accounts. The Los Angeles bank upon which the draft was drawn has been notified to stop payment.

XMAS BOOKLETS
Cards and postal cards of all kinds can be seen at Smith Bros. Drug Store.

Dr. Hunt gives osteopathy, electric baths, vibration and electricity. Charges moderate. 307-8 Land Co. Bldg.

The Vulcan Red Cone Gas Heater

"Heats like a furnace." Gives more heat with less gas consumption than any heater on the market. With this heater you can warm a room in but a fraction of the time required by a coal or wood stove.

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PROPHECY

Edward F. Cashill, the Cal's "candid friend" (and sometimes he is too brilliant or too subtle or too half-humorously whimsical to be quite "candid") gives this prediction, based on logical deduction:

"Fifty years from now, America will be ruled by its millionaires, not as now, by indirection and scheming, but positively and without disguise."

It is an interesting prophecy, just because it looks so startlingly impossible, on first thought, and so startlingly probable on second thought. What about third thought?

The probability of the thing is its naturalness, in the ordinary course of evolution. Aristocracy is the natural state of mankind. Note, we do not say it is the right state; it is the natural state. He that hath, takes to himself more, until finally he appropriates wealth, power and glory. There comes a time when he that hath not can get more by the bounty of him that hath than he would be likely to get by a struggle for justice, so he takes what he can get and becomes a supporter of the system that gives it to him. So we get an aristocracy by the consent of the plebeians.

That is the history of all social and economic aristocracies, and it is the state of the present political feudalism, by which we are now in large part governed. Allow, as the "candid friend" does, fifty years for it to grow, and we shall have as the successors of our present rulers their grandsons—but a different sort of men. Our present rulers made their own fortunes and seized their own power, and are now engaged in building up both. Like all pioneers, they are practical men and satisfied with results. They are too busy to bother with the pomp and name of power, and besides, they have no taste for the game of strut. The power that most appeals to them is exercised from a back office, anonymously. Not so their grandsons. The fortunes will be made, then; no one will care to make them bigger, and the owners will long since have ceased to trouble themselves with their management. They will have become persons of leisure, with cultivated tastes in art, society, luxury and vice. They will add the pomp of power to its substance—only to pass down (if history is our guide) its pomp without its substance.

This is the evolution on which we are now started, and this is the goal it will reach—unless something prevents. And, since we have all become evolutionists, we have grown accustomed to the idea that nothing will prevent—that it is all a play of blind forces, anyway, which it is futile to resist.

But nevertheless we are very sure that the "candid friend's" puzzling prediction will not be realized: Two things will prevent this evolution—other evolutions, and the conscious struggle of human ideals against evolution.

This evolution of the millionaire aristocrat is only one of the forces now at work. Another equally logical evolution leads straight toward Socialism. The management of industry is becoming centralized but its ownership is becoming universal. A big trust has five directors and a hundred thousand stockholders. Some of these stockholders are only trustees for hundreds of thousands of others. Every man who has a life insurance policy is part owner of all the trusts in existence. And life insurance is Socialistic. So is the public school. The two helpless ends of life we already care for socially, and in supporting them we are rapidly acquiring a socialistic ownership of all the rest. When the trusts own all industry and everybody owns all the trusts, then the trusts will own the government or the government will own the trusts—no matter which, since the people will own both, and the distinction between government and industry will have been obliterated. And there is Socialism, ready-made.

Still another evolution leads straight toward syndicated dictatorship, or imperialism. We spoke of the power of the aristocrat, as if it were individual, and could be handed down to his grandson. But the power, as actually now exercised, is an incorporated system. California is still ruled by Harriman, though Harriman is dead and it was not Edward H. Harriman personally, mild-mannered Christian gentleman that he was, who ruled us when he was alive. It was the Harriman "system" which has no grandson and does not die. These systems are the most efficient organizations, for business or for government, that human ingenuity ever devised, and they are rapidly absorbing all things to themselves, by very virtue of that efficiency. Also, they are rapidly merging into one system—and a system which would include the labor unions, as one of its trusts. When that evolution is finished, the system will rule, absolutely, and we shall have an empire, as now in substance, and then in name, with a Napoleon of finance, a Caesar of organization, an Alexander of gigantic dreams at the head of it—a Machiavellian syndicate, which shall be the genius of all things behind it.

Are there any other three evolutions leading toward aristocracy, one toward socialism, and one toward imperialism? All men in actual process of development. With the field to be won, the world will follow. But they do not follow each other, they follow each other, the most important and dominant of all—the domination of the millionaires.

scious effort of human nature, to realize its ideals.

For we do not submit blindly to evolution. Democracy has survived, not because it is natural, but because we believe in it, and guard it artificially, by eternal vigilance. Democracy has overthrown the Boss, within the decade, in nearly every city in America. Democracy has exposed the system, through its organs, the "muck-rakers," and is organizing to overthrow it. Democracy resorts to the forces of society in to curb aristocracy, and to the graces and benevolence of aristocracy to avoid socialism. Democracy learns of imperialism the lesson of organization. And democracy is implanted in the heart of the individual man, who was born to be free, and will submit himself to no aristocracy nor merge himself in any socialism.

The other forces are blind and evolutionary: democracy is fighting and conscious. Democracy is a force in itself, and it is able to use and to divert all the other forces. We have a faith, not unjustified, that the future belongs, not to aristocracy, socialism, or imperialism, but to democracy, ruled not by the blind forces of destiny, but by the free spirit of free men.

CORPORATIONS SHOULD BE GIVEN MORE SUPERVISION

Interstate Business Is Discussed in Federal Report.

Many Strange Things in Annual Statement of Secretary Nagel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The report of Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor, made public today, recommends the development of the bureau of corporations into an agency to perform for the whole country what it has been doing in specific instances. Secretary Nagel's recommendations suggest an agency to which the management and conditions of all interstate corporations must be reported.

The need of properly safeguarding business interests is recognized and would be provided for. The secretary declares the comparison of the commercial and financial side of the nation has become nationalized, and suggests that it is now in order to nationalize its corporate life.

Another important recommendation made by Secretary Nagel is for broader laws to stamp out the white slave traffic. While the present statutes prohibit the importation of women for immoral purposes, there is no law against transporting them from one state to another. The secretary says it must be realized that the white slave trade is an organized business, and that tighter laws are needed to enable federal authorities to fight it successfully.

NOVELTIES IN REPORTS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—About this time every year there comes from the government printing office a host of rather dry-looking documents—annual reports and statements of the various departments and results of the activities of hundreds of government officials in every corner of the national territory. Behind the long columns of figures, between the lines of bare and often cumbersome-written official statements, are occasional official bits of information that are of interest to the layman. One of these is the report of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, Charles Nagel, made public tonight.

"BACHELOR" SEALS.

Who in the world east of the Rocky Mountains would have suspected that some seals are married and some are bachelors, and are regarded officially by the government as such? Yet it seems that there are at least 2,000 "bachelor" seals on St. Paul's and St. George's islands. Some 2,000 of the seals there are beneficiaries of a polygamous temperament and have among them about 10,000 wives, classified by the government as "bachelors."

It also appears that there are only 140,000 seals now left on the Pribilof islands, and the deduction must follow that it is only a question of time when the seal will be a memory.

Upon the verge of the Pribilof there is a band of men called "the Alaskan Fur Seal Service." These men counted the married seals last year and found that there were 1071 happy families on St. Paul's island. They found 3,000 little bachelor seals and promptly tagged them as immune from the hunt, because Uncle Sam wants to encourage marriage, every bachelor to get a harem of his own.

PRODUCING SPONGES.

Off the coast of Florida a series of experiments have proved that we can produce our own sponges. Somewhere between Hatteras and Labrador there is an expert for the government beating his way up the coast on a "wind-jammer," looking for a very elusive fish, the mackerel, when he learns his trick the government seals him up in the fishnet.

At Afognak, Alaska, there is a new salmon station which has liberated more than 3,000,000 young red salmon to the rivers, and during the year the government deposited in various waters of the United States more than 3,000,000 fish.

Finding the way through the tortuous channels in the waters of the Philippines, a group of hardy men from the coast and geodetic survey are finding new lanes for commerce. Waters hitherto uncharted and a mystery to the mariner will be easy of navigation. Another group is working his way up the rocky coast of Alaska.

CANADIAN BOUNDARY.

On the northern edge of the United States a band of explorers has cut its way through the forests to the peak of the Rocky Mountains, marking the boundary line of the United States with Canada. The old stone monuments, placed years ago and hopelessly buried in the tangle of mountain undergrowth, have been recovered and new ones set in their place.

Along the Yukon river the civil engineers have been locating the 141st meridian of longitude. The basis for all future land surveys in the valley of one of the greatest rivers in the world, is being laid.

The effectiveness of the immigration limitations agreed upon between the government and Japan is demonstrated in the reports which show that of 244 Japanese who applied for admission to the country more than 2,000 were barred from their home government and only 212 were admitted.

FOREIGN COMMERCE.

The magnitude of the foreign commerce is amazing. The total value of imports was more than \$1,500,000,000. The value of exports was \$1,200,000,000.

yards built only 137 merchant vessels with tonnage of 338,999, the smallest product since 1898.

The protecting waves of the wireless telegraph have spread themselves over the sea and formed a life-net. Of 282 steamships that carry wireless passengers, 250 are equipped with the life-net. The mainland of Alaska, the United States, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Panama Canal zone have been equipped with wireless land stations.

Secretary Nagel recommends the further development of the Bureau of Corporations. At the end of this fiscal year, the department still has on hand investigations of the lumber and steel industries; the International Harvester Company, concentration of water power ownership, transportation of water in the United States. It was still continuing its investigations of the tobacco industry, the operation of cotton exchanges and state systems of corporation taxation.

RELIABLE INFORMATION.

On the subject of government control of the fiscal and industrial forces, the prime need of two things is emphasized. First, reliable information upon which all government action, legislative and administrative, must be based. Second, reliable information in a concise and available form to serve for the basis of public opinion.

A definite Federal system of statutory publicity, by which all important positions engaged in interstate commerce will be obliged to report at stated intervals to a Federal agency such as the Bureau of Corporations, the essential facts regarding their organization, management and condition, is strongly urged. This, the secretary believes, will accomplish for the whole country what the Bureau of Corporations has been doing in specific cases.

Any attempt to solve the question through state action has been, and necessarily will be, futile, says the report. No considerable amount of money can be expended upon establishing or maintaining one system. No one state alone can make the system effective.

In all, during the fiscal year, 944,235 aliens entered the country and 67 per cent of them came from Russia and the countries of Southern Europe. A total of 25 per cent of illiterates is shown by this report, which is something of an increase over the previous year. The coming of these aliens, however, brought \$17,331,828 into the country and they possessed an average of \$250 each. It is calculated by the department, however, that 33 per cent of all these aliens were assisted with money to reach this country.

WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC.

In one portion of his report, Secretary Nagel takes up the "white slave" traffic.

The department's investigations show that the traffic in immoral women is an established and extensive business and is by no means limited to trading in women who have been imported. It includes alien women who have entered the country in a regular way, and American women as well. Under the present law the Federal officers are equipped to deal with only a small part of the situation. The law prohibits the bringing of women into the country for immoral purposes. The secretary recommends that the law be amended to prohibit as well the bringing of women for such purposes from one state into another state, and that \$50,000 be appropriated to enforce all Federal laws against that traffic. There is no money available for special prosecution of that work at present.

CONTRACT LABOR LAW.

The need of strengthening the law against alien contract labor is reported. To estimate that of amending the Chinese immigration laws to fit conditions existing is also recommended.

Turning to his own office, Secretary Nagel lays down the principle that the government is entitled to "day's work for day's pay," and agrees that the pay should be commensurate with the work performed.

Because of the low salaries established in some of the grades, it was found impossible, Mr. Nagel says, to get civilians capable of the work at such salaries. A remedial step he advocates the abolition of all clerical positions paying less than \$900 a year, and that places paying from \$900 to \$1000 be created in their stead.

CHINESE DOCTOR IS FOUND GUILTY

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12.—A verdict of guilty was rendered last evening by a jury in the case against Dr. T. Wah King, a wealthy Chinese physician and prominent in the community, who was charged with a criminal operation upon Mrs. Lottie Phillips, in June, 1928. This was his second trial. The former jury disagreed after standing eight for acquittal and four for conviction during twenty-seven hours of deliberation. This jury was out just two hours.

Many sensations were sprung in the case by District Attorney Wachsthorst, who confronted the defense with several conspiracies, including alleged burglary, perjury, jury fixing, bribing witnesses and forgery. This jury was locked up since it was expected to prevent a possible tampering. Even at that, one of the detectives employed by the Chinese boasted to a witness that the jury had been "fixed."

The defendant was a great surprise to the defendant and his attorneys, who anticipated another mistrial or an acquittal. King is ranked as being more wealthy than any white doctor in Sacramento. He will come up for sentence next Wednesday. The woman lived, so the maximum penalty is five years.

SHEEDY, SPORTING MAN, IS DEAD

NEW YORK, December 12.—Patrick P. Sheedy, a 44-year-old, 8-year-old, best known sporting man in the country and more recently an art dealer, died here at home tonight of heart disease. He had been confined to his house for two years by a slight stroke of paralysis last June from which he never rallied. Thirty-six hours ago he became unconscious. No arrangements have been made for the funeral, but it is understood he will be buried in Hartford, Conn., his birthplace.

REDWOOD SLIVER IS CAUSE OF DEATH

SAN BERNARDINO, December 12.—A redwood sliver brought death to Monte Hugo Hamberg, 8-year-old, daughter of Maurice D. Hamberg, superintendent for the Gill Lumber Company, yesterday afternoon. The child died of tetanus after three and one-half days of great suffering.

Two weeks ago a sliver struck her foot. In the evening she complained of stiffness in the shoulders and neck, and when her condition did not improve the father called in a physician, but nothing could be done to allay her sufferings or prevent her death.

EIGHT PASSENGERS ARE INJURED IN DERAILMENT

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 12.—The Denver, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, was derailed at Exeter, fifty miles from Lincoln this morning. Two passenger cars, the engine, the baggage and the mail cars left the track and toppling on their sides.

Eight passengers were injured, one severely. The wreck occurred at a point where the Burlington tracks cross those of the Northwestern road. The cause has not been learned. A relief train with railroad officials and

MUNICIPAL FARM FOR LOS ANGELES

City Convicts Are to Be Sent to Work There on Parole at \$2 Per Day.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—A municipal farm with "sun your home" for its motto, for the utilization of convict labor, is ready for its start here Tuesday. The farm consists of 1200 acres, and the plan is to plant parts in cucumbers and cultivate the rest for the production of vegetables, mostly potatoes. The labor of each convict is to be valued at \$2 a day by the city, and is to count any fine in proportion to the number of days served.

The products of the farm are to be used first for its own maintenance and afterward for supplying the public penitentiary and other institutions. This supply is supposed to compensate the city for its aid to the enterprise. The material compensation is secondary to the benefit it is supposed to give to the individual, and to the city. It is to be a new feature of the parole reform system, and has had measurable success in other cities, particularly Cleveland.

While a prison in a measure, it is not to be a prison. Men will be sent on parole to escape to the farm, and will be released, and there will be no menace of return to the prisoner should he try to escape. There is to be no bond or moral restraint. It is essentially a parole on the promise to give a specific number of days' labor to the good of unfortunate humanity, for its products under the plan are to be theirs.

CHRISTMAS NOT ENEMY TO TREES

Holiday Demand for Evergreens Not Sufficient to Do Damage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Does the Yule Tide with its demand for Christmas trees and with its menace to the American forests?

This question is asked by the United States forestry service by those interested in the conservation of the natural resources. The subject has received the most careful consideration of the forestry bureau and the reply has been sent out that there need be no danger of destruction if the cutting of young evergreens for Christmas is done with discrimination. In young pine forests, the cutting of young trees for Christmas can do no harm, but where the trees are cut in reckless manner results are detrimental.

"I have thought a good deal about the Christmas tree matter," said Chief Forester Finch, "and have finally reached this conclusion: Trees are for use. There is no other use to which these trees could be put that would contribute so much to the happiness and good of mankind as their use for the children in the cutting of Christmas trees. So far as endangering the future life of our forests is concerned, the effect is infinitesimal compared with the destruction caused by forest fires and wasteful lumbering."

It is estimated that four million Christmas trees are used annually. It grown four feet apart these could be planted upon 1400 acres of land.

It is said that the use of Christmas trees has proved in Germany to be a permanent benefit to the welfare of the forest, and that the cutting of Christmas trees where the per capita of consumption is greatest, is a means of improving the forests.

EXPRESS RATES ARE CALLED EXCESSIVE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Charging excessive rates and with maintaining a monopoly, the Rivers Brothers company, a local produce corporation, has filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission requesting an investigation. Discrimination against Los Angeles is charged, though no evidence is offered to the harm of local growers or shippers. The petitioners are supported by other produce shippers, who anticipate the liveliest fight ever made in an effort to force the express company to grant concessions that are considered reasonable.

One ground of complaint is that fruits and vegetables shipped to Arizona, Utah, Nevada and New Mexico are frequently delayed so long in transit as to ruin the produce, the express company then forcing the shippers to pay transportation charges though no evidence is offered for the goods. It is asserted that the company denies responsibility in all cases, which are frequent.

Charges on green vegetables from Los Angeles to New York are \$1.50 a hundred more than Seattle, though the distance is about the same, while the cost of refrigeration on an express carload is \$60 from Los Angeles and but \$30 from Seattle. Express rates in the Southwest are declared to be more than twice as much as in the Middle West, due, the complainants allege, to monopoly maintained by Wells-Fargo & Co.

CHINESE MINISTER GOES EAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Accompanied by his wife and the two youngest members of his party, Chang Yin Tang, Chinese minister to the United States, departed today for Washington on the overland limited. The party was escorted from the hotel to the ferry building, where the minister, of Chinese merchants of this city, and the drum corps of Chinese boys, which greeted him on his arrival, led the representative of the Chinese empire to the boat. Just before leaving the hotel Minister Tang placed a check for \$150 in the hands of the clerk, asking that all who had waited on his party during their stay be remembered.

TWO IMMIGRANTS ARE KILLED IN DERAILMENT.

CHICAGO, December 12.—Two immigrants were killed and three men and one woman injured in a peculiar accident to a northbound Chicago and Northwestern passenger train in the northern part of the city today. The tracks had been elevated recently and as the train passed, a rail was torn loose. It ripped through the floor of the baggage car and through the roof of the smoking car, striking a man and killing another. The engineer and fireman and an immigrant man and woman were injured.

GEORGE CROCKER BURIED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The body of George Crocker, the San Francisco financier, who died in New York last week, was laid to rest at Mount View cemetery, Oakland, today, after simple ceremonies at Trinity church in this city. The casket arrived on an early train and was taken at once to the church where every member of the Crocker family and friends of the dead financier were gathered, among them many members of the most prominent families in the city.

Services at the church were conducted by Rev. F. W. Clement while

KING LEOPOLD MAY BE ON HIS DEATH BED

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that a King should not write letters, especially love-letters. In fact, he should not write anything.

When the King starts out to visit his better half, four Belgian policemen and two of their French brethren discreetly occupy themselves with his safety. A detective sees him safely within the enormous gates which shut in the chateau, and a solitary policeman is constantly on guard outside those gates of different entry. Once their grunting hinges shut out the curious world, the King is left in apocalyptic solitude with his beloved. Far away from the cares of state, there still remain sources of uneasiness and anxiety. The King's health is a constant worry. He is not of his kingdom, has a strong character. He is compelled to do so by the courts, he refused to pay her cook a bill of 1500 francs. The public were delighted with this choice morsel of scandal, and King Leopold has since endeavored to keep his household quarrels within becoming precincts. He has had scandals enough, and more, in his first family. It was the Baroness who induced the King to have a marriage ceremony. Since the birth of the royal baby she has been most commanding, and exercises over the King a suzerainty of domestic, even if anorous, tyranny.

THE MIRACULOUS CHILD.

The baby has been playfully referred to as "the miraculous child," and Le Roy Blas of Paris has called the King Alibi. Should he succeed in carrying out his intention with regard to the Baroness and the baby, he will deserve richly the appellation of the Paris funny paper. The adventures and union of the King with Caroline Lacroix have furnished numerous subjects to caricaturists. He is the most widely caricatured ruler in the world. He has been widely caricatured in Germany, France, Austria, Holland and England. Newspapers have printed frequently that he means to abdicate so as to devote the sunset of his life to his morganatic wife. In this there is not a bit of truth. For King Leopold is the last man in the world to desert his gung. And those who would force him to give up his crown are not sufficiently strong. For though he has given occasion to the ways to call him a coward—the reference being to Cleo de Merode, the little dancer from the Paris Grand Opera—the people of Belgium do not forget that his matchless business ability has been given unsparringly to his country.

King Leopold is now engaged upon an effort to make his morganatic wife rich beyond the dreams of avarice. This time he has formed an anonymous company such as is quite common under the laws of France. In the company's name he has bought the property which the King has hitherto owned in France. The company will exploit the property. One-half of the income is to go to Belgium and the other half to the French colonies. The other half is to go to a person whom the King will name later and also to her heirs. That person is Caroline Louise Lacroix, Baroness Vaughan, morganatic wife of the King, sister of the King's son.

The King has had several consultations about his benevolent purpose with the Minister of Finance, and this time, success is in sight. Should the husband fail in his efforts to leave a safe annuity to his wife and child, nevertheless they will not be poorer for the King of the Belgians, who is also king of the rubber merchants, has saved from his business enterprises a fortune of \$60,000,000.

Besides all this the Baroness de Vaughan has been successful in getting another splendid gift. By a clever artifice, the jewels of the late Queen of the Belgians have come into her possession.

UNDERMYER DENIES BIG COPPER MERGER

NEW YORK, December 12.—Samuel Undermyer, conducting negotiations for the proposed merger of great copper interests as counsel for the Boston Consolidated Copper Company and others, said tonight that he had no basis for the report that the proposed purchase by the Utah Copper Company of property of the Boston Consolidated Copper Company, or its reported merger with the New York Copper Company, was part of a general merger of copper properties. It has no relation to any such plan, he said. The properties of the Utah and Boston companies adjoin one another. This negotiation to put them together has been under way for three years.

"Although it is expected that this annual copper production of the enlarged company will be about 200,000,000 pounds, that represents less than 15 per cent of the domestic production, without taking into account the large foreign output with which the company must compete."

NO CLEW TO KIDNAPERS.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 12.—Crews at the warehouse of Alma Kellner, the light-year-old Louisville child who disappeared from her home here Wednesday morning and is supposed to be in the hands of kidnapers, ceased coming to today. There was not a lead for the police to follow.

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Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is waiting for you at any drugstore.

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A CAT STORY

Overheard in W. Parker Lyon's Wall Paper Department

A young lady from Bakersfield dropped into our store one day last week. Under each arm she carried a beautiful Angora cat—so pretty a pair of kittens as ever seen.

Dan Williams, the junior member of the firm, said:

"What can I do for you, my pretty maid?"

"Kind sir, I want to select wall paper to harmonize with kitties' fleeces."

"What might the name of the felines be?" said Williams.

"Tom and Jerry," she replied.

"Why call such beautiful cats such commonplace names? Why not call them something of a historic nature, Cook or Peary, for instance?"

"You horrid thing," the girl replied. "My kittens are not Pole Cats."

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\$5.00 Grade	\$3.45
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200 Suits many values worth \$25, War Price \$10

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250 Suits and Overcoats many values to \$30, War Price \$15

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300 Suits and Overcoats many values to \$35, War Price \$20

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50c Ribbed Garments, 3 colors, War Price	35c
\$1.00 Ribbed Garments, wooly-cotton, War Price	75c
\$1.50 All Wool Garments, all colors, War Price	\$1.10
\$2.00 All Wool Garments, all colors	\$1.35
\$2.50 All wool Fancy Garments, all colors, War Price	\$1.90
\$3.00 and \$3.50 Fancy Silk and wool, all colors, War Price	\$2.10
\$4.00 and \$4.50 Fancy Silk and wool, all colors, War Price	\$2.90
\$5.00 and \$6.00 Fancy Silk and Wool, all colors, War Price	\$3.90



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26 cases, worth up to \$3.50, WAR Price	\$2.00
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NEW PRESIDENT FOR OLD MILLS COLLEGE

Dr. Luella Clay Carson Is
Inaugurated at Girls'
School.

Many Educators Join in the
Notable Occasion Near
Oakland.

OAKLAND, Dec. 12.—Never since the day, nearly half a century ago, when Dr. Cyrus Mills and his wife, Susan, selected it as the future scene of their labor, finding it a barren strip of territory within a few acres fringing the banks of its enclosing stream, until the present day, when it is an acknowledged beauty spot of the Pacific Slope, has Mills College witnessed a more distinguished assemblage than that which gathered there today to do honor to the passing of the greater of the head of the institution from the hands of the venerable founder and first president to those of her friend and former pupil, Dr. Luella Clay Carson.

Delegates were present from all of the universities of the Pacific Coast, and many came from the great Eastern institutions of learning, notably from Columbia, Swarthmore and Northwestern universities.

Stanford's president was there in person, and the University of California sent seven delegates, with Prof. George C. Edwards as the representative of its president.

All of the members of the board of trustees of Mills were present, and there were delegates from the Pacific Theological Seminary at Berkeley, the Theological Seminary at San Antonio, members of the Alumni Association, from gray-haired representatives of the first graduates to fresh-faced, bright-eyed graduates.

utes of last year, the faculty of the college and numerous pupils. A procession of the various educational dignitaries, headed by Prof. David Starr Jordan and Rev. Charles R. Brown, president of the board of trustees of the college, followed by Mrs. Mills, the retiring president, supported on the arm of the incoming head of the institution, Dr. Luella Clay Carson, and a long line of educators and college men, their college degrees indicated by their varicolored hoods, wound its way from the college proper to Llaner Hall, where the inauguration ceremonies took place.

An elaborate program was prepared for the occasion. Dr. Brown presided and introduced the various speakers. The exercises began with an organ prelude, "Trio Sonata," allegro moderato (Lambert), played by Miss Irene Wolcott Collette. This was followed by a procession, "Hail Festival Day" (Phillips), by the choir; an invocation by Rev. George C. Edwards; recitation from the Scriptures, by Rev. Charles R. Brown and the assembly; a hymn, "How Firm a Foundation" (George Keith), by the choir, and an address by Dr. Prince L. Caspary, president of the University of Oregon, who came as a representative of Dr. Carson's former college home, where for many years she acted in the capacity of head of the English department and dean of women.

Dr. Campbell paid a glowing tribute to Dr. Carson's ability and educational attainments and to her standing as a woman, saying that his message was principally one of love and affection, from the regents of the University of Oregon and the faculty and students of that institution, adding that there was many a man and woman in the great Northwest who could look back with pride to the happy influence exerted on their lives by Dr. Carson.

"We only consented to give her up," said Dr. Campbell, "because this college is the place of her education and because of her great loyalty to her friends, Dr. Carson, who is an old-time friend, by saying that the exercises were a sort of farewell to her, and she was not a saint, he did not know what a saint was."

"My definition of a saint," said Dr. Jordan, "is a person who sees a thing to be done and does it."

"Our century is making a new demand on women," continued Dr. Jordan. "We need her help in the establishment of a sound public life from politics to co-operation, from the waste of struggles between parties and politicians to the saving of men and resources. I believe in equal suffrage of men and women, not as a right to either, which is a minor matter and which may be capable of various interpretation, but as a means of education for men and women alike, and I am sure that the days of equal suffrage will be nearer when women make plain the use they would make of their votes. If women have a program of working for the betterment of life, for the elimination of waste, of vice, disease and crime, then all good men should wish to help them in their ambition."

Dr. George C. Edwards, representing the University of California, said in part: "To ex-President Susan Lincoln Mills, the surviving founders of this institution, which has grown into a college full, free and fair, we bring grateful acknowledgments, in recognition of a service prophetic in conception and executed in unselfish devotion to an ideal. May she be spared these many days to wear the laurels that are hers."

Prof. Henry Suzzallo of Columbia university of New York, was called upon to voice the sentiments of the delegation from the Eastern colleges, and he said in part:

"Greetings from the old universities to Mills, a college now, in future a great university. There is a clock in the

Congressional Library," said Prof. Suzzallo, "which to my mind symbolizes this occasion. Upon it is the figure of a messenger, who, although somewhat spent is still strong, grasping in his hand a torch, beside him is another figure, instinct with youth and vigor, with hand outstretched and ready to grasp the torch; and I say, 'Well done, faithful torch-bearer, and Godspeed the new messenger.'"

The best to speak was the venerable founder of the institution, Mrs. Mills herself, who detailed the history of its founding down to the present time. "My husband and I came to California in 1854. We had labored in India and Hawaii and in so many other places that my husband used to say that we were ordered to be prepared for our work in metropolitan California."

In finishing Mrs. Mills said that over 4000 daughters had gone out from the institution, and that in California there were over 700 members of the Alumnae Association.

"There is no one in the world to whom I could trust my place as I can to Dr. Luella Carson," said Mrs. Mills. "She was my pupil. I know the stock from which she came and I now exhort my pupils, the alumnae, the faculty and the trustees of this college, to be kind to her and to support her in her work. As for myself, all the way through I have been led by kindness, and I trust I may say I shall rest in the house of the Lord."

Greetings from nearly every great university and every women's college throughout the country were then read, including messages from Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, the Universities of Pennsylvania and Michigan, Vassar, Wellesley, Bryn Mawr and hosts of others.

The address ended with one by the incoming head of the college, Dr. Carson, who detailed at length her ideas of the kind and quality of education necessary to the peculiar temperaments of the youth of the Pacific Coast, whom she characterized as being of the ancient Greek type, lacking perhaps the culture and refinement of the East, but having a peculiar power of construction—the power to lay foundations and build something of moment. She painted a famous future for the Mills as the future greatest educational institution for women west of the Rockies.

"Athens taught the world," she said, "that the lowliest citizen was worthy of highest culture, and the Western youth are well worthy of the best differentiated education that can be given them."

In conclusion, Dr. Carson asked for endorsements, saying that within them no institution of learning could expand properly.

The exercises ended with the singing of the Doxology, benediction and the recessional. "Sing to the Lord a Joyful Song," John S. Mowbray. At the close of the program, a reception was held at the college, giving those present an opportunity to greet the old and the new presidents.

Dr. Carson's aged father came from Eugene, Ore., to be present at the inauguration.

FIVE MEMBERS OF FAMILY DROWNED

KENT, Ohio, Dec. 12.—The opening of the skating season claimed five victims near here today and nearly obliterated a family. The dead, Frank Cornany, farmer, Helen Flora and Mabel Cornany, 5, 7, and 4 years old, his three daughters; Russell Cornany, 18 years old, his brother.

The tragedy occurred on Sherry brook, tributary of the Cuyahoga river, at Monroe Falls. The party left home about 9 o'clock this morning, promising to return for dinner. When they failed to appear, Mrs. Cornany became anxious, and taking her 3-year-old child, formed a searching party which found the bodies.

NINTH MURDER IN HIGHBINDER WAR

Member of Yee Family Is
Found Shot Four Times
in Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—The murder of Yee On, whose body was found in Oakland Chinatown early today with four bullet wounds in the head, furnished a ninth weird chapter in the history of one of the fiercest tong wars ever waged in the state. There is no clew to the murderers, but the police learned that several strange Chinese, believed by leaders of the Yee tong to be highbinders imported by the On Yick tong, were seen in the vicinity of the tragedy yesterday.

For several weeks the Chinese consular general in this city and officials of the Six Companies have been trying to effect a treaty that would prevent repetition of such feuds in the future as well as to end the present one. Several conferences already have been held between white attorneys and yellow leaders of the rival tongs, but owing to the intense feeling between the two families and their numerical strength throughout the country these have failed of result.

As a last resort, representations have been made to the new Chinese minister, Chang Yin Tan, who arrived yesterday on his way to Washington, in the hope that he could effect a compromise.

For more than a month hundreds of "gunfighters" and "hatchmen" have stalked marked victims and have stalked about landladies and residences where Chinese servants are employed, waiting for opportunities to do murder.

WOMAN IN THE CASE. According to the testimony of prominent Chinese before the grand jury which is investigating there is a "woman" at the bottom of it.

About six weeks ago Yee Hong, a youthful member of the powerful Yee family, of which there are branches in many cities from New York to San Francisco, abducted Bow Gun, a slave girl with whom he was in love, from the house of an On Yick. The On Yicks are as prominent as the Yees, if not more so, and the theft created a sensation among the 15,000 denizens of the Oriental quarter.

After Yee and Bow Gun had disappeared, the On Yicks laid the matter before the leaders of the Yee family. It was suggested that the least the Yees could do was to pay a fair price for the girl, who was highly prized because of her beauty.

Several family consultations were held on both sides. Finally word was sent to the On Yicks that the Yees would not pay the sum demanded. This was a declaration of war, according to tong etiquette, and the first shot was fired November 2, when Yee Fun Wah was murdered in San Francisco and Yee Gee fell with an assassin's bullet in his heart in Oakland's Chinatown.

So far the Yees have suffered most severely, seven of their number having fallen to two of the On Yicks. The prominent merchants and leading landladies of both families upon whose heads prices have been set, are terrorized and seldom venture out after dark. Many of them have body guards of one or more white detectives.

Yee Sing, aged head of the Yee fam-

ily, for whose death it is said \$10,000 would be paid, has a guard of ten men and has not ventured from his home for several weeks. Another leading Yee is said to be quartered in a fashionable hotel, constantly attended by white guards.

As a result of the grand jury's investigation of the first murder in the series six tong leaders under indictment as accessories before the fact. Two of these are among the most prominent Chinese in the United States—Gee Hong On, president of the On Yick tong, and Tong Hing Chong, head of the supreme lodge of Chinese Masons, editor of a Chinese daily newspaper in this city and lieutenant of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the noted revolutionist.

CHICAGO MAYOR FORBIDS DANCE

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Revelations in the city hall today brought to light that as long ago as last Monday Mayor Hesse daily informed the two aldermen from the First ward that he would not permit them to give at the Coliseum on Monday night the dance which was abandoned yesterday afternoon after a persistent crusade. They were loth to believe that the opposition which for eleven consecutive years had been unable to stop the annual saturnalia and night vice parade could be effective this year, and went ahead with their plans.

On Tuesday they were given to understand that the mayor meant what he said, but on the other hand, was not taking the step out of desire for popular applause, but would let them relieve themselves from embarrassment by making the announcement that they had changed the plans for the ball, and were going to give a concert. Today, throughout the First ward there was a howl by patrons to get their money back, \$20,000 worth of tickets having been sold.

WOMAN DYNAMITER MAY BE PAROLED

DENVER, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Allen F. Read, recently convicted of assault with intent to blackmail Mrs. Genevieve Chandler Phelps of Denver out of \$100,000, was this afternoon sentenced to not less than one year nor more than eighteen years in the penitentiary. Mrs. Read, who attempted to frighten Mrs. Phelps by displaying two sticks of dynamite during an automobile ride, took her sentence stoically. Under the sentence she will be subject to a parole at the end of a year.

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NEWS OF EVENTS IN REALM OF SPORT

"DOC" MILLER LEADS COAST LEAGUE BATSMEN

Terry McKune, ex-State Leaguer, Has Good Fielding Average.

According to the official figures, Doc Miller, who joined the Seals late in the season and participated in 56 games, leads the players in the Pacific Coast Baseball League with a batting average of .347, which is certainly a creditable showing. Stewart, the pitcher whom San Francisco secured from Texas, was the only other player who batted over .300. His average was .318 for ten games, which is hardly a true line of his real merit as a batter.

Of the regulars, Henry Melchior, is out in front with .338. He is not supposed to be able to hit left-handed pitchers, but he must have fared pretty well this season, as there are quite a number of noughts in the Coast League. He played in 128 games.

Hitt, a pitcher of Vernon, was tied with Melchior, and Johnson, who played 205 games, led the Seals with a percentage of .293. Rolfe Zelder and Reall of Los Angeles were tied with .288. Buttery Lewis, who went to the Boston American team, finished with a percentage of .279, which is a good showing for a youngster. Toward the end of the season Lewis fell down in his hitting. For a time it looked as if he would finish first among the regulars.

Delmas, shortstop for Los Angeles, played in more games than any other man in the league during the last season. He participated in 215 games, which is something of a record. His batting average was .243. The official list follows:

TEN LEADING BATSMEN.	Gms.	Hits.	Pct.
Miller, S. F.	56	76	.347
Stewart, S. F.	10	7	.318
Melchior, S. F.	185	206	.288
Hitt, V.	50	42	.288
Johnson, S. F.	205	111	.288
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BEST FIELDERS.	Games.	Pct.
First Baseman—		
Dillon	119	.303
Second Baseman—		
Chisholm	66	.282
Third Baseman—		
J. Smith, L. A.	212	.242
Shortstop—		
McCune, O.	112	.249
Pitcher—		
Stanton, F.	13	1.000
Catcher—		
C. Lewis, O.	118	.261
Outfielder—		
Melchior	195	.261

WHY TAXICABS DO NOT SHOW PROFIT

Many Causes Stop Dividends for Owners in Spite of High Fares.

An expert, in discussing the taxicab question, says:

"Even casual observation of the taxicabs doing service in New York City reveals that not a few of them are already showing bad effects from use or abuse. Bent axles, bent steering knuckles, broken and bent fenders, dented and scratched bodies, crushed radiators and tail lamps, frames with a perceptible set under the dash—these and other evidences of congested traffic seem to point to a high rate of depreciation and diminished profits of the operating business.

"Life of a cab chassis is usually figured at four or five years, making the allowance for depreciation 25 or 30 per cent. It seems doubtful if some of the cabs in New York would have so long a life, even at the lesser of these periods. In England the life of a cab body is placed at three years, which raises the depreciation percentage somewhat. Many of the cabs which show most plainly the effects of use are those operated by individual chauffeur owners, or stables operating only a small number of cabs of heterogeneous makes, and most of these are machines that have been merely adapted to taxicab work—that is, the chassis are simply runabout models, fitted with laundret bodies, and by virtue thereof called taxicabs.

DRIVERS RESPONSIBLE.

Drivers, of course, are responsible for most of the visible evidence of depreciation. Although damaged due to careless handling are usually charged up to them, they "take a chance" when a "fare" who is in a hurry to reach his destination offers a large tip to the driver to get him there on time. As a consequence, they run the cabs closely behind other vehicles and when the machine ahead stops abruptly and unexpectedly the radiator or fenders of the following cab are likely to suffer; or the driver stops too quickly without giving the required signal to a following vehicle and as a result has the shafts of a carriage or wagon pushed against the back of the body. The cabs are run at too high speed across car tracks and rough crossings, and the axles, knuckles and frames are thus bent or broken. They have the wheels run again the curb in turning and the tires cut, knuckles bent and wheels put out of alignment.

In the taxicab business, even more than in the old hansom and hack work, financial success must depend in considerable measure on the appearance of the vehicle to secure patrons. This is so well recognized that several of the large companies make a special point of keeping their machines as fresh, clean and in as good repair as possible, and the drivers as neatly garbed and self-respecting in appearance and posture in the seat.

Several remedies against excessive depreciation suggest themselves. First, all machines intended for public cab service should be especially designed and built for this work; secondly, speed rails might be attached at front and rear to secure the chassis against jolts; thirdly, the design might be so modified that the radiator, fenders and fenders out of harm's way; fourthly, the machines could be geared so as to make speed above a certain reasonable limit impossible.

CRABBE, ENGLAND'S CRACK RUNNER, WHO MAY VISIT AMERICA



CRABBE

If the plans of the promoters do not fall professional athletics will have a big thing in New York this winter. Many long and short distance races are scheduled, and more are to come. Not only are the promoters trying to have all the famous professional runners of the world compete, but they are also after several of the crack amateurs here and abroad to join the money chasers. It is said that Crabbe, one of the greatest half milers England ever had, is to turn professional shortly and sail for America. Crabbe has shown his heels to all the English cracks for the last two years and would undoubtedly make things warm for the American speed marvels.

BALL CLUB SOLD.
PUEBLO, Dec. 12.—A deal was practically made today for the transfer of the Pueblo Western League franchise. Directors refused to give the name of the purchaser, but it is known that if this deal is made the club will go to St. Joseph, Mo.

TROUBLE PHONES FOR MOTORISTS

Rescue League to Assist When Hurry Call for Help Is Sent.

"Hello, hello; say, I am at booth 230 and—no my machine isn't broken down. I want three gallons of gasoline." This and similar requests will soon become common if the plans of a St. Louis garage keeper are carried out. His idea is to organize a Rescue League and establish a certain number of special telephone booths on the highways around St. Louis for the convenience of motorists in trouble.

Those who join the league will, upon payment, be given a key which is numbered. This will be registered at the company's office, and when a call is made by a member, the key cannot be released until one of the trouble men arrives, thus guarding against "false alarms." Several employees will be in attendance night and day, and will respond to trouble calls either by auto or motorcycle, as the case may be. Before long it may be no uncommon sight to see the trouble man speeding along over the roads on his motorcycle with a couple of tires around his neck, a ten gallon can of gasoline in one hand and in the other a "few" articles, such as repair kit, lifting jack, tire pump, inner tubes, and last but by no means least, a 150-pound transmission. If the motorist was so careless as to have a smashup or tried to send his car through a stone wall just to prove the sterling qualities of the material, then the trouble man will mount an auto and with clanging bell and a long tow line head for the little red box from which came the call. "Not with a slight mishap—car ran through a couple of houses, knocked over a bridge, wrecked the fast mail and—well I guess you'd better come out and tow her in—your lamp's broken and the starting crank bent."

Seriously, the trouble phone will be a much appreciated innovation and the league should start off with a heavy membership.

ELI CATES BEATEN.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 12.—The Salt Lake team defeated San Diego in the Mid-winter League game today. Score: Salt Lake 4, San Diego 2. Batteries—Reiger and LeBrand; Cates and Myers.

CORNELL COMES OUT IN FAVOR OF FOOTBALL REFORM.
ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The Cornell University faculty yesterday adopted a resolution advocating reform in football.

The resolution says:

"With a view of securing greater safety of life and limb and high standards of honor and fair play, it is the insistent opinion of this faculty that the continuance of football as a game for undergraduates depends upon an effective revision and enforcement of the rules regulating the game."

AUTO SHOW TO BE IN REAL COUNTRY

Real Trees, Real Brick Wall and Real Vines as Decorations.

Visitors to the Chicago automobile show, which will take place the first week of February at the Coliseum and First Regiment armory, will find the decorative scheme more suggestive of rural touring than of a bungalow interior effect, according to ideas expounded by Manager S. A. Miles. Genuine trees, shrubbery and flowers will be transplanted in the buildings, and with birds singing in the green limbs of the trees and here and there a miniature lake of real water, the spectators will require very little imagination to make him feel that summer is here with all the joys of outdoor life as seen from the tony of an automobile. The idea is entirely new in automobile shows and is expected to create something of a sensation.

SOOMETHING ENTIRELY NEW.

"We decided that, to prevent comparison, which might or might not be favorable, we would adopt something entirely new," said Mr. Miles. "The show will, therefore, be held in a forest. This will necessitate the use of about 100 real trees, of which twenty will be two feet in diameter and seventy feet high; about a mile and a half of real brick wall, real vines, and the same amount of vine-covered iron railings; about 80,000 square feet of trellis work and pergola; 150 ornamental vases; 200,000 leaf sprays and flowers; four fountains of real water and 150,000 square feet of paintings. No sign of the roof will be visible. The walls and roof will be entirely covered with foliage and blue sky.

"I shall return to Chicago next week to look over a lot of designs and complete the final plans. From what I have been able to see of I believe the coming show will be even more pleasing than those of past seasons."

ALL SPACE IS TAKEN.

Mr. Miles stated further that every inch of available space in the two big buildings, including main floors, balconies and the Coliseum basement, was taken at the original allotment on October 8th, although many late applications are on file. The list of exhibitors ever held in Chicago is larger than ever, as some of the firms have been given smaller spaces than heretofore. Mr. Miles maintains that despite the efforts of rival press agents for the New York shows in trying to make their respective exhibitions the greatest ever held in Chicago, it is up to him to develop the players.

"Chicago will, as a matter of fact, present about as many automobile exhibits as the two New York shows combined," concluded Mr. Miles.

RIGHT EASY GRABS RICH STAKE BY 5 LENGTHS

\$1200 Is Won Without Getting Horse Warm Under Saddle.

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 12.—The Montezuma stake of \$1,200 at one mile, the feature of the card today, resulted in an easy victory for the one to nine shot, Right Easy.

Right Easy and Jeanette M. were held at prohibitive price over Spooner, the only other starter. Right Easy broke in front and was never after, ward headed, winning easily up by five lengths, with Spooner about the same distance behind Jeanette M.

RESULTS:
First race, selling, five furlongs—Responsible, 10; (Rice), 2 to 1; second, Mike Mout, 105; (Archibald), 5 to 1; third, Time, 1:02 2-5. C. A. Lefman, Kyle, Brunhilde, May Genevieve, Good Intent, Ban Lally, Tommy McGee and Bob Lynch also ran.

Second race, selling, seven furlongs—Fred Mulholland, 105; (Snail), 5 to 2; second, Gibson, 105; (Strong), 8 to 1; third, Bona, (Archibald), 15 to 1; fourth, Time, 1:30. Ricker, Reclamer, Ains, Posing and Hancock also ran.

Third race, selling, six furlongs—Barney Oldfield, 110; (Archibald), 12 to 1; won, E. M. Fry, (McCahey), 5 to 2; second, Foree, 106; (Garnier), 5 to 2; third, Time, 1:17. Hannah Louise, Harval, Little Oase, Apollonia and Ina Gray also ran.

Fourth race, the Montezuma stakes, one mile—Right Easy, 105; (Garnier), 1 to 9; won; Spooner, (Bennacoten), 7 to 1; second, Jeanette M., 95; (Wilson), 1 to 2; third, Time, 1:44 3-5. Only three starters. Right Easy and Jeanette M. coupled.

Fifth race, five and one-half furlongs—King (obait, 118; (Creery), 3 to 5; won; Marce Abe, 98; (Gurner), 5 to 2; second, Madman, 103; (McCahey), 5 to 2; third, Time, 1:08 3-5. Arch Oldham, Colonel Bob, Pastoriza and Virginia Lindsey also ran. Marce Abe and Madman coupled.

Sixth race, selling, mile and a sixteenth—Serrille, 104; (Molesworth), 5 to 1; won; The Wrestler, 110; (McCahey), 11 to 10; second, Pedro, 102; (J. Wilson), 5 to 2; third, Time, 1:51. Banbury and The Thorn also ran.

NATIONAL COMMISSION SETTLES DISPUTES AT N. Y. TODAY.
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Magnates of both the major baseball leagues will meet here this week. The gathering will be preceded on Monday by the meeting of the National Baseball Commission. The election of officers of the National League and a promised revival of the umpire bribing scandal that followed the final New York-Chicago National League game a year ago are objects of the greatest interest in connection with these events.

CROSBY, CAPTAIN OF CORNELL VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



CROSBY

With the passing of football interest now centers around basketball in the big universities. In fact, it looks as if the strenuous indoor pastime will be more popular than ever. Many colleges that abolished the game last winter have again taken it up. For the past two weeks all the fires at the big universities have been at work preparing for the hard games to come later. In the east Cornell is expected to make things warm for its rivals, Crosby, the Ithaca's leader, had a few green men last year that he whipped into good shape, and it is likely that he will have a strong team this season. He is a first class man himself at any position, and it is up to him to develop the players.

NIAGARA THEATER BURNS.
NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., December 12.—The International theater burned here tonight. Loss \$125,000.

COFFROTH BEHIND IT ALL, SAYS TAD

Graney and McCarey Were the Goats, Declares New Yorker.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Still water runs deep.

Jim Coffroth never attended a single meeting of the promoters; he didn't even bother about it. He put in a light bid under his own name and let it go at that. That night before the bids were accepted, Jim wired to Frisco saying that Tex Rickard was a winner, and declared that he wasn't a bit put out.

Why should James be put out about it? Who did you think is the real big cheese in this fight, anyway? Glenason and Rickard? Yes, sure; Sweeney, too. You can peg the nail that the real-headed master of the bull is the man behind the fight.

Tex Rickard and Glenason were awarded the fight. Johnson and Jeffries decided that without even a murmur. It took them twenty-four hours to make up their minds, but it was common gossip on Broadway the day before the cards were stacked and that the thing was cooked. Eddie Graney and Uncle Tom McCarey were the goats.

McCarey was jerry to the thing before the bids were even opened. He arose that day and asked whether the bids were final, or whether a man could boost the pot any after his bid was in.

"Oh, no, nothing like that," said Berger. "The bids are final; there'll be no fattening."

Graney was a bit suspicious, too, but when he was told that it was all open and above board he was also willing.

Neither Johnson nor Berger turned a hair as the bids were read. The bunk party was the delay of twenty-four hours. They might have stated right there what the bid was and who had it.

However, Coffroth should say Rickard and Glenason got it.

Founders like a joke, eh? Utah, Nevada or California to be the battle ground.

How was Rickard to get in California? Where, oh where, did Glenason grab the roll to post such forfeits as he and Rickard promised?

We hear further that Jim the tight-ers and Coffroth are putting up the purse. What looked to be a terrible gamble, the greatest in history, is fading away to a sure thing bunk.

Coffroth denies that he is in for a bean of the show. Yes, boys! Rickard says that he liked Glenason the first time he saw him. Yes, boys!

Johnson says that an expert on figures tipped him to the last bid. Yes, boys!

Graney and McCarey say—well, we can't print it here, but you can have five guesses as to what the exact words are.

Bingen (2084), while but 18 years of age, has over 100 descendants in his standard line. He himself is credited with 77 performers, 11 sons have a total of 45, his daughters have produced 6, while two grandsons, Cochazo (2) (2:14), and Com. Leynard, each are carrying on the family honors by adding four performers to the roll, making a grand total of 122.

Hans Warner and Ty Cobb, the leaders of their respective leagues in every department of the game, will be members of a hunting party to given on Georgia Hunting's Georgia plantation early in January.

UMPIRE'S WORD IS LAW IN SUNNY CUBA

Detroit Tigers "Grab" and Police Ask Them to Finish Game.

The touring Tigers learned a lot of things about baseball the other day, not only about the rules, but about the Cuban attitude toward football. It is no unusual thing for ball players to be harassed by the umpire, fined by his club, but it wasn't until today that any of the American League champions had been threatened with arrest if they did not resume playing when ordered to do so by the indicator blunder. This is the way it came about: In the third inning of the game against the Almadures club, the Cuban umpire, whose lists of the rules are somewhat hazy at best, called a balk on Willet and ordered the native batsman to take his base, though there were no runners on at the time. Allowing the batter a free trip to the initial sack no such circumstances is something unusual in the philosophy of baseball. Spalding guides had of the National Commission. However, the umpire never met any of these authorities, and he insisted that what he said went. It was too much for the Tigers, and they declined to continue the game unless the man behind the plate could interpret the

ATHLETIC GOSSIP

The Pittsburgh Pirates, the world's champions, have been offered the San Francisco park as a training camp next spring by Jack Gleason. They may train there next spring instead of Hot Springs, Mo.

MARTIN SUE DEAD.

MARTIN SUE, the odd-time lightweight, died at Haverhill, Mass., a few days ago.

code a la United States. Finally the tourists began picking up their bats, telling Mr. Umpire that all was over between them. But there was to be another chapter to the story. Enter the dusky Havana police with an ultimatum: that unless Marty McIntyre et al continued the game the whole outfit would be arrested and taken to jail. There was a stunner! On the one hand, the prospect of playing against the handpick of comedy umpiring; on the other the certainty of passing the night in the bastille. Any one who knows Cuban prisons could not blame the champions for electing to play it out. Even though the arbitrator insisted on handing it to them at every angle. Better defeat by any old score with a good supper and a clean bed than the filthy jail.

With but shy detail the "morning" was done finished with the Almadures team having piled up a total of thirteen against Detroit's two.

\$6000 FOR BROWN OR HE WILL QUIT

Mordecai May Join Hold-outs If Murphy Fails to Come Through.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Mordecai Brown, the most reliable of two pitchers, may join the hold-outs unless President Murphy comes through with the figure named by the three-fingered wonder. Brown's contract expired at the close of the last season.

It is said he received \$4,000 straight salary for the season's work, with a promise of \$10,000 more if he "made good." He certainly did that and the bonus undoubtedly will be forthcoming, although Brown has not received it yet. Brown will ask for \$6,000 next season and the chances are he will get it. He never has been one of the pushing kind nor has he done any unnecessary talking about himself or the pay he should command.

He is said to have made the statement recently that he would go after \$6,000, and would not play unless he signed at that figure. Friends of Brown know he does not make a practice of bluffing, so it appears up to the Cub boss to "come through" or get along without Mordecai.

MEXICO IN BASEBALL GAME.

Mexico is rapidly progressing. Next year the sister republic will have a real baseball league which will be made up of six cities. The new circuit comes in under the national agreement.

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LATEST GOSSIP OF THE SPORT WORLD

SANGER REDS TAKE SLUG-FEST FROM BITTELS

Harry Johnson in Fine Form While Scheidt Is Bumped Hard.

Oh, you Harry Johnson. Before a fair-sized crowd at Recreation Park yesterday afternoon, the premier heaver of the Sanger Reds held the Bittels of this city to one run and six scattered bingles in nine rounds of listless ball tossing.

Scheidt, the highly-touted slasher of Alex Bopp's crowd, had a kink in his clinging arm that sent the fans into thirty kinds of puerile. In the opening frame, the heavy willow widders from the Flume Town fell on Miter Scheidt for six successive swats, sending a half dozen Red Legs across the jumps. After that it was easy sailing for the visitors and they won, as you please, style, 14 to 1.

In all, the Sanger team piled up 16 hits off the usually reliable boxman of the local club. The cold weather made good ball paying out of the question. A few of the Sanger payers managed to keep warm by swatting the horsehide on the nose and sprinting around the sacks.

The Bittel outfielders also worked up a sweat from chasing the elusive globe in the suburbs, but all the while the spectators sat or stood in the foggy atmosphere and shivered. The only redeeming feature was the superb work of the Sanger battery. Kuhn, the Readley backstop, received Johnson and put up a splendid game. Johnson was in fine fettle and after the first inning simply toyed with Bopp's bunch.

Next Sunday, the Bittels will try conclusions with Alex Frisch's Sharks on the Bittel diamond.

SENATORS USED 27 MEN DURING SEASON

Charley Graham's Sacramento Coast League club had, during the 1909 season, enough players on its payroll to form three teams. From the top of the gang in April until the curtain was rung down on the first of November, twenty-seven men were at one time or another, Sacramento uniforms.

Fresno fans believe that one of these teams was taken from the Tigers. Several of these jumped the local club at the beginning of the season.

The Oakland Coasters used twenty-eight different players during 1909. Hap Hogan's Vernon Villagers were third on the list with twenty-six tossers. Los Angeles and Portland each used twenty-two, while San Francisco, the pennant winners, used but twenty-one. Verily doth it pay to keep a team intact.

HANFORD RETAINS TITLE BY BEATING KUTNERS, ONE TO NOTHING

In one of the fastest games ever played on the Hanford grounds, Les Knapp's Kutners of this city went down to defeat before the formidable Hanford team yesterday afternoon. Score, 1 to 0.

By beating the Fresno aggregation, Hanford retained the independent championship of Central California for the 1909 midwinter series. Four games were played. Hanford won three, giving them undisputed possession of the title. Yesterday's battle also brought the season on the Hanford grounds to a close.

The final contest was a pitchers' battle throughout between Southpaw Buckles and Artie Schimpff. Buckles was in great form, holding the Kutners safe at all stages.

CARROLL AND BENNETT MATCHED AT PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—Jimmy Carroll and Jockey Bennett, bantamweights, have signed for a ten round boxing contest before the Oregon Athletic Club here on the night of December 21st. The prospect is for a fast mill.

BAN JOHNSON TO FIGHT FOR ELECTION OF HEYDLER

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Ban B. Johnson, president of the American League, Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans, and Joe Cantillon, former manager of the Washington Americans, left today to attend the baseball meetings at New York.

Before his departure Johnson said that he was unalterably opposed to the election of John M. Ward as president of the National League and that he would do everything he could to prevent it. Cantillon said he would make a fight for vindication at the American League meeting. Cantillon declared that he was not a traitor to the league, and that he would make a fight for his rights. He added that he would insist upon an investigation of charges of signal tipping made against the New York Americans by the Washington team last summer. He announced that he will manage the Minneapolis American Association club, of which he was part owner last year.

H. Ross, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, has taken home the mure he had at the Johnson farm. She brings with her a foal to Cuchato. She is by Nira H, out of Baby C. 2:20 1/2, by Boston Globe and has been a close second in 2:15 1/2. Mr. Ross is looking for a future winner as the result of the mating.

CHALK UP ANOTHER FOR REPUBLICAN CHAMPS

Selma Is Taken Into Camp in Hard Fought Game, 2 to 1.

In a close and exciting exhibition, Art Bennett's Fresno Republicans defeated the Selma team, 2 to 1, yesterday afternoon at the temperance town. A large crowd witnessed the fray.

From the lap of the song it was a pitchers' battle between Harriman and McHenry.

Lou King, the ex-Madera backstop, who is now the regular receiver of the Republicans, failed to put in an appearance. Guy Preston, the clever utility man, went behind the bat and caught a splendid game.

Ashley and Howard were the stars with the willow, these Republicans each grabbing two bingles out of four trips to the rubber. McHenry was a puzzle to all the other Republicans. Harriman was in fine form, keeping the hits off his delivery well scattered. Both clubs played remarkably fast ball throughout. A return game may be pulled off in the near future.

The Republican line-up: G. Preston, C. Harriman, M. E. Preston, 1b; Ashley, 2b; Brant, 3b; Klein, ss; Reuter, lf; Baldwin, cf; Howard, rf.

Manager Bennett of the winners, announced last night that he will send his champions against Buck Owens' Brunswick next Sunday at Recreation Park. The fans have been waiting for this exhibition for weeks. Welcome to our midst.

MADERA WINS TENNIS MATCH FROM CLOVIS

The second tennis match of the series between Clovis and Madera high schools was won by Madera on its own courts yesterday afternoon. The contest was a lively one from start to finish. Madera won the boys' singles in the morning, score 6-2, 7-5. In the afternoon the mixed doubles was very closely contested. Madera won the first set, 6-4. Clovis won the second set, 6-3, and Madera won the third set, 7-5. The boys' doubles were the most exciting part of the tournament. The splendid receiving of the Clovis boys took the event in two straight sets, 6-4, 6-4. In the girls' doubles Madera won in two straight sets, 6-2, 6-0. The girls' singles were not played, as the Clovis team had to leave on the evening train.

This is the second victory for Madera, but the Clovis team has shown remarkable improvement since the former match and believe it will be able to turn the tables on its opponents should they play again.

The Madera students furnished a dinner for the visitors at noon, after which a half hour of toasts by Clovis and Madera students proved quite entertaining.

ROBINSON'S VOTE WILL DECIDE CONTROVERSY OVER LEADER

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A cycle of baseball meetings will begin here tomorrow. The national commission will meet first to decide on the case of Pitcher Torrey, now on the Cincinnati reserve list, but claimed by the Springfield club of the Three I League.

On Tuesday the National League will have its annual meeting and Wednesday the American League will open its sessions. Many club owners, managers, players and umpires are here. National League magnates say their meetings will be harmonious, but their statements do not coincide with opinions of others.

All the club owners have reached this city except Stanley Robinson of St. Louis, Horace Fogel of Philadelphia and John Dorey of Boston. The leaders of the Heydler and Ward factions are both anxious to see Robinson, as it is thought his vote will decide whether John Heydler, president of the National League, shall continue in office or be displaced.

The election of John M. Ward as president of the National League is considered impossible by Barney Dreyfus of Pittsburgh. Dreyfus says there will be no war, no matter on whom the two factions decide.

JIM CORBETT TO HELP JEFFRIES IN HIS TRAINING

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A cable dispatch from London today says that James J. Corbett sailed for home today. He is returning to the United States for the purpose of training Jim Jeffries for his fight with Jack Johnson. Speaking of the fight, Corbett said:

"If Jeffries can get back to the form he showed when he beat me, he will make short work of Johnson, who, in my opinion, is lucky to hold the championship. He struck a time when there were no really big men. I am certain that he would never have been champion if he had been called upon to meet such fighters as John L. Sullivan, Slavin, Joe Goddard or Fitzsimmons."

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—That he expects to attack with James J. Jeffries for at least twelve rounds in the battle for the championship of the world on July 4th, Jack Johnson has made known to his friends.

"Any one that says we are going to make the fight on account of the moving picture is on the wrong side; that's all," was the way the colored champion introduced the subject. "Everybody I have met has asked me whether or not the fight will drag out for ten or twelve rounds on account of the pictures. Well, the fight will last that long, but not because it has been fixed or will be fixed that way."

JOHNNY HAYES WINS BIG MARATHON EVENT

Defeats Canadian Runner By Three Laps in Very Fast Race.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Johnny Hayes, Marathon hero at the Olympic games at London, was an easy victor in a Marathon race held here today, defeating Jimmy Fitzgerald, the Canadian runner, by three laps on the Ocean Shore track and Connolly of this city by over a mile. When Hayes' time was first computed at 2:26:54.3-5 it was believed that he had set a new world's record for the classic event. It was determined later, however, that the circular course run was more than a mile short of the full distance. Hayes' time is exceptionally fast, however, even with the short course. His race was well planned and good head work helped him to victory.

MOTORIST SOLVES ONE-TIRE PROBLEM

LONDON, December 12.—The tire question, one of the most baffling problems the motorist is said to have, has been solved. An invention is shown at the eighth annual Motor Exhibition that will, it is claimed, do away once and for all with the difficulty by transferring the pneumatic pressure from the tires to the springs of the car.

The Cowey Automobile Suspension Company is the owner of the new invention, which will be watched with unusual interest, as its success will mean a revolution in motoring.

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Those who have tried the new invention state that it is impossible to tell that pneumatic tires are not being used.

Through the well-known trainer, Howard Hayden, John Welsh of Syracuse, N. Y., has bought of Edward Lyons of Hadley, Mass., the 7-year-old bay trotting mare, Wataga, 2:19 1/4 by Blitzen, 2:08 1/4, dam Mrs. Jack Atherton, 2:10. Wataga won seven straight races the past season.

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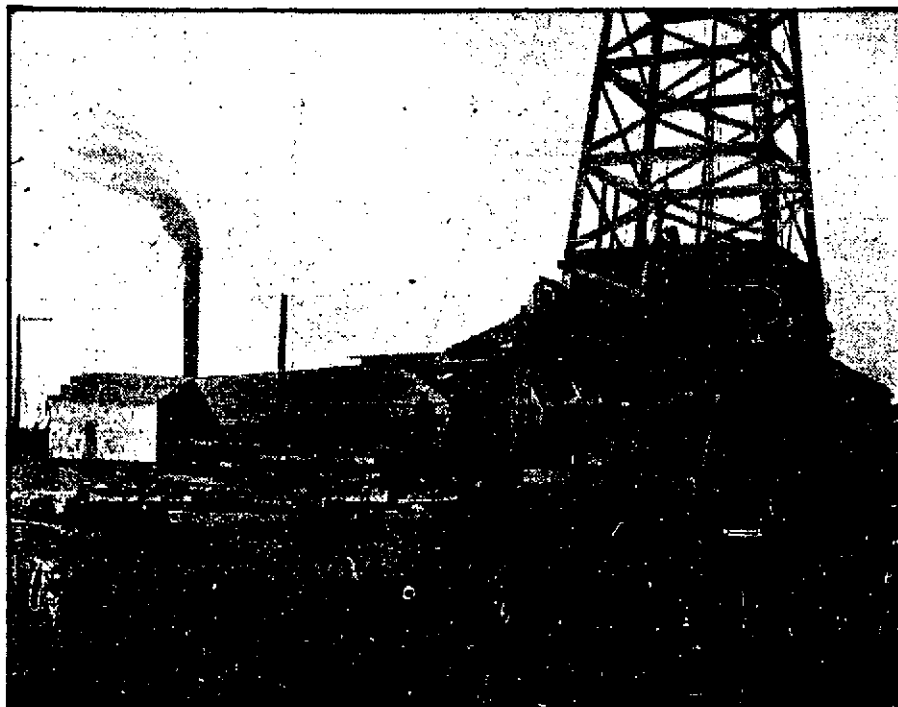
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NEW YORK BUYERS FEW; EASTERN MARKET IS DULL

Inability to Deliver Raisins for Christmas Named as Cause.

Success of Raisin Pool Will Probably Stimulate Sales.

New York buyers in the raisin market are few and far between, according to reports received from that city. While the market is maintaining a firm tone, there is very little demand for raisins at any price there and as a consequence local packers are doing very little shipping to that point.

Other markets, however, are a little more brisk, but the general conditions are such that until after the first of January it is probable that very little buying will be done.

The slump is prevalent every year at this time. The reason for this is, of course, the fact that the season for raisins is in time for Christmas, and Eastern jobbers are unwilling to buy at holiday prices for fear they may lose afterward. As a consequence they buy from hand to mouth and there is very little activity.

The success of the raisin pool will undoubtedly have a stimulating effect on the market for in the purchase of it, it will be impossible to sell at a rate lower than 3 cents. Giffen & Co. have notified the East that the price on January delivery will be 5-1/2 for straight fancy, or 5-1/2 cents to the grower. This is the minimum price quoted.

The low price of raisins during the season has stimulated a greater demand for the fancy product to the neglect of choice with the result that many packers who are far short on fancy have an over-supply of choice which they are finding it hard to dispose of at any price.

CAN COME TO NO DECISION ON COOK

Proofs in Possession of National Geographic Society Are Insufficient.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The National Geographic Society will have to receive more proofs of Dr. Cook's claims to the discovery of the North Pole, before it can attempt a decision as to Dr. Cook's rights to any claims. This statement was made tonight by Professor James H. Gore, commissioner appointed by the society to go to New York to gather more evidence as to the truth or falsity of Dr. Cook's story of discovery.

Although Prof. Gore was unable to examine the data sent to Copenhagen, he interviewed and cross-questioned Captain Bradley, Dr. Cook's backer, and also Captain Lousie and George H. Dunkle, who declared that they saw Dr. Cook on astronomical data that they drew up in describing his dash northward.

Prof. Gore declined to discuss his report to the geographic society, which will be made in a few days.

PRESIDENT GOES TO YALE.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—President Taft will leave tomorrow morning for New York, where he will speak at the diamond jubilee of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Tuesday morning the President will go to New Haven to attend a meeting of the board of trustees of Yale university. He will leave New Haven at midnight, returning to Washington Wednesday.

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SOCIALISTS CALL ON WORKERS TO RESIST Fresno Local Passes Resolutions Against Capitalist Industrial Owners.

At a meeting of the Fresno local of the Socialist party yesterday afternoon resolutions deploring the Spokane outbreak, the Cherry mine disaster and condemning the government in general were passed. The local is planning to have a Spokane protest, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. W. G. Henry will be the speaker. The resolutions read:

"Whereas, All semblance of justice and right has been abrogated by the capitalist industrial owners so far as the working class of America is concerned, and at Spokane the most brutal and fiendish means have been used to destroy a constitutional privilege, a working class paper and strikers taken from the news and burned; men and women have undergone the most horrible torture that a band of brutes in blue uniforms could contrive; three hundred men have been burned and suffocated at Cherry, Ill., that a few of blood-sucking robber barons, and last of all, the two political 'Pawna' of the industrial owners holding the positions of President of the United States and Secretary of State, are doing all in their power to undertake a war of conquest for the purpose of further capitalist exploitation, using the execution of two Americans for an excuse, when a Cherry Creek or Spokane case is at hand;

"Resolved, That we, the Local Fresno of the Socialist Party, call on the workers to resist, using the weapons easiest to use—first, mass protest; second, organization and general strike; if necessary, and to prepare for all that goes with it, for at the present rate of progress there will be neither free speech nor right of assembly in another three years."

The aspirations of two Visalia youths to see more of the great, wide world beyond Tulare county, after leaving the parental roof to emulate hoboes by stealing rides on the brake-beams of railroad trains, were cut short yesterday afternoon by Acting Chief of Police Coyne and Patrolman Knight. Jimmy Hutchinson, aged 22 years, and Bruce Crane, aged 12 years, are the runaway boys.

They were taken into custody on Mari-pous street after an exciting chase through the streets, the boys making a final desperate attempt to escape by dashing into a building and hiding behind a door.

At first, they denied that they were runaways from Visalia. Hutchinson declared that his name was Lamb. Crane, after some deliberation, said that his name was Lamb, also, and that he was a cousin of the older boy.

When plucked down, the 12-year-old youth admitted that his name was Crane. Then Hutchinson confessed. At the police station, the pair narrated their experiences since 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when they met at the Visalia Milling Company's plant and with a boy named "Fuzzy" Quinn jumped into a surrey to which two horses were attached.

Quinn had told the boys that he was a runaway from Tulare and intended to go further from home. Crane and Hutchinson consented to accompany him, with the expressed intention of reaching San Francisco to board a merchant ship and cruise up and down the coast or to Honolulu and other ports.

The boys and the surrey double-crossed them, and after driving a few miles from the city, jumped out, leaving Hutchinson and Crane alone. Quinn had been in a rear seat, according to the boys' story, and leaped out without the knowledge of the pair in the front seat. Hutchinson did the driving, spending the hours along the road at a fast clip.

Suddenly, Driver Hutchinson discovered that the bits were not in the horses' mouths and the check-reins were down. These were put in their proper places and the boys were taken to the police station.

Between them, the boys had \$3 in small change and \$2 was paid for a room in a hotel in Exeter. Early yesterday morning the pair boarded a train for Fresno, arriving at 10:40. They said they ate an early dinner and were about to board an early train for San Francisco, when taken into custody.

Crane was placed in the detention ward at the parental school, Patrolman McKee taking him there on his motorcycle, and Hutchinson was lodged in the county jail. Sheriff Collins of Tulare county will send an officer after the runaways today, to bring them to the city.

The boys will be sent to a reform school, Crane, although only a diminutive youth of 12 years, asserted that he had left home five times. Hutchinson said this was his third escapade.

The local police believe that the alleged third party in a myth and that the boys stole the rig. In the rear of the surrey was the top of a sewing machine. On the wild ride across country, the boys went off the road and ran through an irrigation ditch, the water coming into the bed of the buggy, almost overturning it. After this incident, the boys stole a lantern from a farm house and used it as a searchlight.

Both boys are willing to go the reform school, but they will know nothing about it until they get out, said Hutchinson. Crane declared that he deserved to be punished. Neither could assign any reason for leaving home, both stating that their parents used them kindly.

NEW FAIR SOCIETY STARTED BY KINGS

Dashwood and Buckles of the Hanford Battery No Longer Under Pay.

HANFORD, December 12.—The new Kings County Agricultural Fair Association was launched yesterday at a meeting of the recently appointed organization committee of ten, held in the Old Bank Building. Charles Kings, president, and minutes were kept by the veteran secretary, F. L. Howard. The association is capitalized at \$500,000, with 500,000 shares at \$1.00 each; \$150 was subscribed at the meeting. The following committees were appointed: On stock subscription, N. C. Blanchard, Frank Johnson and M. L. Doss; committee on nomination, W. A. Long, M. L. Doss and Frank Johnson. The next meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, the 13th.

A repeat consisting of an oyster supper and all its perquisites was served yesterday in Masonic Temple to three score guests after the annual meeting of the Kings County Agricultural Fair Association. A Relief Corps. An election of post officers was held, resulting as follows: M. J. Grimshaw, commander; J. B. Whiteley, senior vice-commander; L. C. Hicks, junior vice-commander; Charles Hackett, chaplain; William King, surgeon; C. H. Watson, quartermaster; Charles Adolph, officer of the day; George Clute, officer of the guard; and L. C. Dunham, part-time instructor; delegates to the departmental convention, Charles Adolph and Charles Hackett; alternates, J. B. Whiteley and L. C. Hicks.

At the directors' meeting of the Hanford Athletic Park Company, which was held under pay, Dashwood and Buckles, the crack battlers of the Hanford team. The season closed with Sunday's game with the Fresno Tigers. The company did not wish to incur any indebtedness during the winter months. It was also decided that no more football would be allowed to be played on the grounds.

WOMAN'S HUSBAND IS NO LONGER SUSPECTED

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 12.—J. C. Hunter, husband of Mrs. Maggie Hunter, who is dying at a hospital from blows dealt her by the murderers of Mrs. Carrie Olander and her mother, Mrs. Eliza Gribble, Friday afternoon, is no longer under police suspicion of being the murderer. However, he will be held until it seems certain the real murderer can not be captured.

The police also believe the story of William Walls, who says he was taken to the house and passed through the closed window blinds into the room of Mrs. Hunter, hoping to attract her attention, but that he saw no one.

This leaves only the final theory that the murders were the result of a negro's plan to attack Mrs. Olander.

ELECTRICITY KILLS POLICEMAN

SAN FRANCISCO, December 12.—Theodore Canham, aged 21, a special policeman, was killed early today by 28,000 volts of electricity which he received at Lombard and Fillmore streets.

He was assisting a lineman to repair a power wire that had broken and fallen to the street.

A WAY OPEN.

Many a Fresno Reader Knows It Well.

There is a way open to convince the greatest skeptic. Scores of Fresno people have said it possible. The public statement of their experience is proof of the like of which has never been produced before in Fresno. Read this case of it given by a citizen:

Dr. G. F. Clark, City Physician, Fresno, Cal., says: "For two years I suffered from kidney trouble and I never knew the moment when exposure and overwork would bring on an attack. My suffering grew more acute as time went on and I was finally forced to take to my bed for six weeks. During this time I was scarcely able to move. The kidney secretions were scanty and accompanied by a scalding sensation when being passed. I was finally given up all hope of ever getting well. When confined to my bed and hardly able to endure the suffering, my son procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Bulker & Colson's drug store. They seemed to directly the seat of my trouble and continued use removed every difficulty. I consider it my duty to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills to all sufferers of kidney trouble."

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THEIR WORLD TOUR ENDS NOVEMBER SESSION ABRUPTLY IN CITY OF FRESNO

Tulare County Too Small for Ambitious Visalia Youths.

Now Both Are in Jail Here and Booked as Reform School Boarders.

The postponed November session of the United States district court, northern division of the Southern California district, will commence this morning in the postoffice building, with Judge Wellborn in Los Angeles presiding. Assistant U. S. District Attorney Stewart will be here to handle the cases for the government.

Owing to urgent matters detaining Judge Wellborn in Los Angeles during the early part of November, the regular session was postponed until today. However, it is thought that the court will not be in session for more than one or two days. Very few matters are on the docket. The principal case is that of the Cameron Septic Tank Company of Illinois vs. the City of Fresno for alleged infringement of patent on the septic process.

Owing to the absence of Frank Kauke, city attorney of Fresno, the matter, where he is attending a murder trial, it is probable that the big case will be continued until the big session next year. The remaining cases are minor matters that can be disposed of in a half day.

FRESNO MAN GIVEN FIRST PRIZE AWARD

For White Wyandotte Cock at Petaluma Poultry Show.

A. C. Wrenn, of 281 Valencia street, the well-known printer and chicken fancier, received word yesterday from Petaluma that a White Wyandotte cock entered by him at the recent Petaluma poultry show had been awarded first prize. The news is gratifying because he entered only one bird and this in a division that was represented by one of the largest recorded entry lists.

The Fresno entry was awarded first prize over such well-bred White Wyandotte cocks as those owned by J. Stanford of Oakland, and J. L. Dinwiddie of Petaluma. Stanford entered his large string of birds at the big Oakland show last month and carried off all the firsts in his division.

At the Petaluma exhibit, Stanford was relegated to second place and Dinwiddie was given third and fourth prizes. Wrenn's bird is nearly four years of age and is considered one of the best bred cocks in Fresno.

FOUR ARE HELD ON FRAUD CHARGES

Disposers of Real Estate to Which They Had No Title, Owners Being Non-Residents.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—The police are holding in the city jail here Mrs. Laura T. Bryant, Louis Chaffin, John H. Hawley and Harry Hancock, pending an investigation into numerous alleged and frauds, and the sale of real estate to non-residents in both San Diego and Los Angeles and that these lots were given to real estate dealers in San Diego and Los Angeles to dispose of. One case is that in which lots owned by S. P. Swackhamer of Union, Ore., formerly of San Diego, were sold by a San Diego firm. Becoming suspicious, the San Diego agents held the proceeds and would not deliver them, who reported that he had not disposed of the lots. The authorities were notified of the alleged deceit and four parties said to have been interested in the fictitious titles were arrested here.

OFFICERS INQUIRE INTO COLLISION

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—Rear Admiral Osterhaus, commanding the Atlantic fleet, is presiding over the court of inquiry appointed by Rear Admiral Schroeder to investigate the collision between the battleships Georgia and Nebraska last Thursday.

The names of other members are not known here and officers positively refusing to discuss any phase of the collision.

The court will, it is said, submit its report to Admiral Schroeder this week.

The extent of the damage to the two ships is not known, but the Nebraska was damaged to such an extent that she has been withdrawn from the fleet and ordered to New York for repairs.

REPRODUCES MAN OF THE STONE AGE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 12.—Professor Richard Lull of Yale is the first person to give to the world a restored man 10,000 years old. He has just placed in the hall of anthropology in the Peabody Museum a model of a man who lived in the stone age, at the time when human beings had to fight for existence with ravenous monsters of the field.

The model shows that at the time of the stone age and the cave dwellers man did not stand erect, but slightly stooped, like a six-day-race scorcher. The prehistoric man was restored from the researches of Professor Lull, covering twenty-five years. Skeletons found in different parts of Europe aided him in establishing the exact physical form which man of a hundred centuries ago must have taken. The restoration is regarded by scientists as the most important work done at Yale since the death of Professor Marsh, whose professorship is now held by Professor Lull.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—The municipal elections throughout the country today resulted in a victory for Liberals.

PRISONERS IN THE JAILS WILL COME UNDER THE CENSUS

They Will Be Made the Subject of a Special Report.

Uncle Sam Is Asking for Much Information for Small Pay.

Under authority conferred by law, the bureau census of the department of commerce and labor at Washington, D. C., is about to undertake the collection of statistics of the sentenced prisoners and juvenile delinquents in penal institutions throughout the United States. The purpose of this undertaking is to prepare a special report along the lines of the census taken in 1904.

This investigation will be distinct from the general census of population of the Union, which will begin on April 15, 1910, and which will be separately conducted. Under the heading of "a report of the prisoners and juvenile delinquents, or statistics of the special classes," Sheriff Chittenden has received a long communication from F. Dana Durand, director of the bureau of the census, setting forth the data expected from the local city and county jail.

Two letters were sent from Washington. One was directed to the keeper of the city jail and the other to the sheriff of Fresno county. Inasmuch as the city prisoners are confined in the county institution, Sheriff Chittenden announced yesterday that he will secure the required data from city and county prisoners.

In order to obtain the required statistics, it will be necessary for the sheriff to have each column printed on the 1910 jail register. As each prisoner is sentenced to a term in the penitentiary, the following questions will be propounded: Full name, crime for which he has been sentenced, length of term, credits given, age, occupation, sex, race, marital condition, nationality, nativity of father and mother, literacy, and a few other facts of like character. This data will be entered on blank schedules, which will be provided by the government about January 1st.

Considering the compensation, the task will be an onerous one. For the first fifty prisoners, the compensation will be \$10, and five cents for each additional prisoner sentenced. As the average of the county jail is only five a day, this means remuneration of about \$10.50 per month in addition to the \$10 for the first fifty names.

The list of names will include the number in custody on January 1, 1910, and also the number admitted during the year 1910.

EXPLOSION BURIES SIX MEN IN MINE

Column of Flame Shoots 100 Feet in Air Above a Kentucky Shaft.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 12.—An explosion this afternoon in the mine of the West Kentucky Coal Company, Henderson, this state, entombed six men 150 feet below the surface.

Immediately following the explosion of fire damp, which set fire to the mine and sent a column of flame 100 feet in the air, sixty negro miners escaped to the surface after a wild scramble for the hoisting cage, leaving six and possibly more of their number behind. Those on the surface report two explosions in close proximity. The second threw a column of water and splintered timbers high into the air from the abandoned shaft.

Eighty men, it is said, were employed in the mine. Thomas Long, mine inspector, is on the scene and every effort is being made to extinguish the fire.

STEEL TRUST IS TO BE DISCUSSED

Labor Conference at Pittsburgh Will Be of Utmost Importance.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 12.—One of the most momentous labor conferences of recent years will begin tomorrow when the executive council of the American Federation of Labor and National Union of Mine Workers will meet to discuss the present strike of union employees of the American Steel and Tin Plate Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation.

The conference is scheduled to discuss the tin mill employees' strike, but it is known that many deliberations will be devoted to the "hard-headed" glass blowers of the middle states will have been threatened and the campaign long and bitter will have been formed.

Principal among the many subjects to be discussed will be the fight contemplated against the United States Steel Corporation by union men. As last resort this strike will be called in plants of the United States Steel Corporation, according to a prominent federation of labor leaders.

"The open shop" policy of the steel corporation seems to be the principal point of contention.

ABSTRACTED IN TULARE FOR THEFT IN FRESNO

A man giving the name of H. Crouch was arrested in Tulare last evening by City Marshal Court Smith for stealing a bicycle in Fresno last Friday. The wheel was a Reading-Standard owned by the Donahoe-Emmons company. The theft was committed on Friday morning and from here Crouch rode the bike to Tulare, where he tried to sell it. The arrest followed. Marshal Court Smith notified the police last night and an officer will be sent to Tulare after the prisoner today. After his incarceration, Crouch confessed to stealing the bicycle. The charge against him is petit larceny.

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